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At a General Court of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, begun and holden at Boston on the first Wednesday, being the sixth day, of January, in the year one thousand eight hundred and eighty-six, and the one hundred and tenth of the independence of the United States of America, the following-named members-elect of the Senate, having been duly summoned by the Executive, appeared, to wit:—

Hon. Messrs. Wesley A. Gove,	in the First	} <i>Suffolk Districts.</i>
John R. Murphy,	Second	
Alexander B. McGahey,	Third	
Edward P. Wilbur,	Fourth	
Albert E. Pillsbury,	Fifth	
Paul H. Kendricksen,	Sixth	
and John J. Hayes,	Seventh	
	Eighth	
Hon. Messrs. Frank W. Jones,	in the First	} <i>Essex Districts.</i>
William Cogswell,	Second	
William H. Tappan,	Third	
George W. Morrill,	Fourth	
Charles B. Emerson,	Fifth	
and Samuel B. Locke,	Sixth	
Hon. Messrs. Eleazar Boynton,	in the First	} <i>Middlesex Districts.</i>
Augustus E. Scott,	Second	
Alpheus B. Alger,	Third	
Francis Bigelow,	Fourth	
Luman T. Jefts,	Fifth	
John M. Harlow,	Sixth	
and Charles S. Lilley,	Seventh	
Hon. Messrs. Martin V. B. Jefferson,	in the First	} <i>Worcester Districts.</i>
William T. Forbes,	Second	
Allen L. Joslin,	Third	
Charles A. Gleason,	Fourth	
and Henry S. Nourse,	Fifth	
Hon. Messrs. Henry M. Phillips,	in the First	} <i>Hampden Districts.</i>
and James R. Dunbar,	Second	
Hon. Myron P. Walker,	in the <i>Hampshire District.</i>	
Hon. Levi J. Gunn,	in the <i>Franklin District.</i>	
Hon. Messrs. Edward D. G. Jones,	in the North	} <i>Berkshire Districts.</i>
and Herbert C. Joyner,	South	
Hon. Messrs. Elijah A. Morse,	in the First	} <i>Norfolk Districts.</i>
and John H. Gould,	Second	
Hon. Messrs. Charles H. Howland,	in the First	} <i>Plymouth Districts.</i>
and William L. Douglas,	Second	
Hon. Messrs. Charles A. Reed,	in the First	} <i>Bristol Districts.</i>
Robert Howard,	Second	
and Eben C. Milliken,	Third	
Hon. Howes Norris,	in the <i>Cape District.</i>	

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And were called to order at 11 o'clock A. M. by the Hon. Charles S. Lilley of the 7th Middlesex District, senior member-elect.

Quorum.

Whereupon, on motion, Messrs. Joyner, Nourse and Kendrick were appointed a committee to wait upon His Excellency the Governor, and the Council, and inform them that a quorum of the Senate is assembled and ready to be qualified.

Subsequently, Mr. Joyner, from the above-named committee, reported that they had attended to the duty assigned them, and that the Governor was pleased to say that he, with the Lieutenant-Governor and Council, would attend forthwith upon the Senate for the purpose of administering the required oaths of office to the members elect thereof.

Qualification of Senators.

Soon after, the Governor and Lieutenant-Governor, with the Council, came in, and the Senators-elect severally took and subscribed the oaths of office required by the Constitution and a law of the United States, to qualify them for the discharge of their duties as Senators for the current political year.

The Governor and Lieutenant-Governor and the Council thereupon withdrew.

President.

On motion of Mr. Emerson, —

Ordered, That a committee be appointed to receive, assort and count the votes for a President of the Senate.

Messrs. Emerson, Murphy and Boynton, were appointed said committee.

And the votes having been collected, assorted and counted, it appeared that Hon. Albert E. Pillsbury of the Sixth Suffolk District was elected; and, being conducted to the chair by Messrs. Howland and Alger, signified his acceptance of the office, and entered upon the discharge of his duties.

Clerk.

On motion, Messrs. Tappan, Gove and Douglas were appointed a committee to collect, assort and count the votes for a Clerk of the Senate.

And the votes having been collected, assorted and counted, it appeared that Stephen N. Gifford of Duxbury was elected; and he, being present, was qualified by taking the following oath, —

Whereas, you, Stephen N. Gifford, are chosen Clerk to the Senate of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you do swear that you will

truly enter all the votes and orders thereof, and in all things relating to your office that you will act faithfully and impartially, according to your best skill and judgment. So help you God.

On motion, Messrs. Dunbar, Wilbur and Hayes were appointed a committee to wait upon the Governor and Council and inform them of the organization of the Senate. Organization of the Senate.

On motion of Mr. Howland, —

Ordered, That a committee be appointed to inform the House of Representatives of the organization of the Senate; and Messrs. Howland, Joslin and Jeffs were appointed said committee.

On motion of Mr. Norris, —

Ordered, That the Rules of the Senate of last year be observed until otherwise ordered. Senate Rules.

Mr. Joyner offered the following order, which was read and laid over under the rules.

Ordered, That the Senate proceed, under a suspension of the rule, to the election of Chaplain of the Senate. Chaplain.

On motion of Mr. Milliken, it was

Ordered, Under a suspension of the rule, that the Senate proceed to the election of a Sergeant-at-Arms. Sergeant-at-Arms.

And Messrs. Milliken, Nourse and Kendricken were appointed a committee to collect, assort and count the votes therefor; and the votes having been collected, assorted and counted, it appeared that Capt. J. G. B. Adams of Lynn was chosen.

Notice was received from the House of Representatives, by a committee thereof, of the organization of that branch by the choice of Hon. J. Q. A. Brackett of Boston as Speaker, and Edward A. McLaughlin of Boston as Clerk. Organization of the House.

On motion, Messrs. Lilley, Joyner, Cogswell, Dunbar and Reed were appointed a committee to prepare Rules for the government of the Senate during the present session. Senate Rules.

On motion of Mr. Boynton, —

Ordered, That the Joint Rules of the two branches of last year be observed until others are adopted. Joint Rules and Orders.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

On motion of Mr. Lilley, —

Ordered, That a joint special committee, to consist of the President and three members of the Senate, with such

as the House may join, be appointed to prepare Rules for the government of the two branches.

And Messrs. Lilley, Joyner and Cogswell are appointed on the part of the Senate.

Sent down to be joined.

Came up; and the Speaker and Messrs. Wharton of Boston, Cowdrey of Stoneham, Roads of Marblehead, Mason of Worcester, Doherty of Boston, Lathrop of Springfield and Lord of Plymouth are joined.

Sergeant-at-Arms.

On motion, Mr. Harlow was charged with a message to the Governor and Council, informing them of the election, on the part of the Senate, of J. G. B. Adams of Lynn as Sergeant-at-Arms for the current political year.

On motion of Mr. Scott, a similar message was sent to the House of Representatives.

Notice was received from the House by a committee thereof, of the election, on its part, of Capt. J. G. B. Adams as Sergeant-at-Arms.

On motion of Mr. Morse, it was

Ordered, That Capt. J. G. B. Adams be notified that he has been elected by the two branches of the General Court Sergeant-at-Arms for the current political year.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Returns of votes for Governor and Lieutenant-Governor, etc.

The Secretary of the Commonwealth came in, and laid upon the table the returns of votes for Governor, Lieutenant-Governor, Secretary of the Commonwealth, Treasurer and Receiver-General, Auditor of Accounts and Attorney-General; and the same were referred to a joint special committee, to consist of Messrs. Jefferson, Jones of Berkshire and Jones of Essex, with such as the House may join.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up; and Messrs. Frothingham of Haverhill, McEttrick of Boston, Boyden of Foxborough, Davis of Somerville, Leahy of Boston, Friend of Gloucester, Harkins of Boston and Sawyer of Methuen are joined.

Returns of votes for Councillors.

The Secretary also laid on the table the returns of votes for Councillors in the several councillor districts of the Commonwealth; and the same were referred to a joint special committee, to consist of Messrs. Gould and Alger of the Senate, with such as the House may join.

Sent down for concurrence.

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Came up ; and Messrs. Wood of Newton, Sanderson of Boston, Townsend of Lawrence, Baker of Shelburne, Collins of Boston, Oxley of Ashland and Gorman of Fall River are joined.

The Secretary of the Commonwealth also laid upon the table the returns of votes for Senators in the several senatorial districts of the Commonwealth ; and the same were referred to a special committee, consisting of Messrs. Dunbar, Lilley and Forbes. Returns of votes for Senators.

On motion, Messrs. Harlow, Norris and Joyner were appointed a committee to arrange the seats of members of the Senate. Seats of members.

On motion of Mr. Murphy, —

Ordered, That when the Senate adjourns, it be to meet to-morrow at 11 o'clock A. M., and that that be the hour of meeting until otherwise ordered. Adjournment.

On motion of Mr. Phillips, —

Ordered, That the Clerk be directed to furnish daily newspapers, not exceeding twelve in number, to be kept under his direction for the use of the Senate. Newspapers.

Adjourned.

THURSDAY, January 7, 1886.

Met according to adjournment.

On motion of Mr. Gleason, —

Ordered, That the daily reading of the Journal be dispensed with until otherwise ordered.

Hon. Henry F. Naphen, Senator-elect from the Fifth Suffolk Senatorial District, appeared, and Messrs. Murphy, Howard, Hayes and Locke were appointed a committee to conduct him to the Governor for the purpose of taking the required oaths of office. Fifth Suffolk Senatorial District.

Subsequently, Mr. Murphy, from said committee, reported that they had attended to the duty assigned them and that the Senator-elect had taken and subscribed the oaths of office required to qualify him for the discharge of the duties of the office.

The following order laid over from yesterday was adopted.

Chaplain.

Ordered, That the Senate proceed, under a suspension of the rule, to the election of a Chaplain of the Senate.

And Messrs. Phillips, Boynton and Kendrick were appointed a committee to receive, assort and count the votes therefor; and the votes having been collected, assorted and counted, it appeared that Rev. Edmund Dowse of Sherborn was elected; and on motion of Mr. Bigelow the Clerk was directed to notify Mr. Dowse of his election.

Governor, Lieutenant-Governor and other State officers.

Mr. Jefferson, from the joint special committee, submitted a report on the returns of votes for Governor, Lieutenant-Governor and other State officers as follows:—

For Governor.

GEORGE D. ROBINSON of Chicopee has .	112,243 votes.
FREDERICK O. PRINCE of Boston has .	90,346 “
THOMAS J. LOTHROP of Taunton has .	4,714 “
JAMES SUMNER of Milton has . . .	2,227 “
All others,	138 “

And GEORGE D. ROBINSON is elected.

For Lieutenant-Governor.

OLIVER AMES of Easton has . . .	112,641 votes.
HENRY H. GILMORE of Cambridge has .	91,008 “
CHARLES B. KNIGHT of Worcester has .	4,707 “
WILLIAM MURRAY of Boston has . . .	1,551 “
All others,	39 “

And OLIVER AMES is elected.

For Secretary.

HENRY B. PEIRCE of Abington has .	113,520 votes.
JEREMIAH CROWLEY of Lowell has .	90,324 “
GEORGE KEMPTON of Sharon has . . .	4,619 “
HIRAM W. K. EASTMAN of Lawrence has	1,518 “
All others,	44 “

And HENRY B. PEIRCE is elected.

For Treasurer and Receiver-General.

ALANSON W. BEARD of Boston has .	110,438 votes.
HENRY M. CROSS of Newburyport has .	93,188 “
CLAUDIUS B. TRAVIS of Natick has .	4,576 “

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WALTER HARMON of Boston has . . . 1,158 votes.
All others, 61 "
And ALANSON W. BEARD is elected.

For Auditor of Accounts.

CHARLES R. LADD of Springfield has . . 113,075 votes.
JAMES E. DELANEY of Holyoke has . . . 90,323 "
WILLIAM W. SHERMAN of Lowell has . . . 4,685 "
ARAD H. WOOD of Lunenburg has . . . 1,615 "
All others, 158 "
And CHARLES R. LADD is elected.

For Attorney-General.

EDGAR J. SHERMAN of Lawrence has . . 112,814 votes.
HENRY K. BRALEY of Fall River has . . 90,089 "
SAMUEL M. FAIRFIELD of Malden has . . 4,591 "
ASA F. HALL of Hudson has 1,578 "
All others, 152 "
And EDGAR J. SHERMAN is elected.

And the report being considered under a suspension of the rule, was accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Thereupon, on motion of Mr. Cogswell, —

Ordered, That a committee be appointed, to be joined, to inform the Hon. George D. Robinson that he has been elected, in the manner prescribed by the Constitution, Governor of the Commonwealth for the current political year, and that the Legislature will be ready to attend upon him in taking and subscribing the oaths required by the Constitution and a law of the United States to qualify him for the discharge of the duties of the office, at such hour as may suit his convenience.

Also, to inform the Hon. Oliver Ames that he has been duly elected Lieutenant-Governor of the Commonwealth for the current political year, and that the Legislature will attend upon him in taking and subscribing the oaths required by the Constitution to qualify him for the discharge of the duties of the office, when agreeable to him.

And Messrs. Cogswell, Gunn and Alger were appointed the committee on the part of the Senate.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred; and Messrs. Lathrop of Springfield, Coes of Worcester, Murphy of Lawrence, Hunt of Boston, Story of Gloucester, Desmond of Boston, Ambler of Weymouth and Tucker of Lowell are appointed on the part of the House.

Subsequently, Mr. Cogswell from the above-named committee, reported that they had attended to the duty assigned them, and that the Governor was pleased to say that he, with the Lieutenant-Governor, would attend upon the Legislature for the purpose of taking and subscribing the oaths of office at such time as may suit its convenience.

Thereupon, it was ordered that a message be sent to the House proposing a convention of the two branches forthwith for the purpose of administering the oaths of office to the Governor and Lieutenant-Governor elect.

Subsequently, a message was received from the House announcing its concurrence in the aboved-named proposition.

And, pursuant to assignment, the two branches met in

Convention,

for the purpose above specified; and Messrs. Scott, Wilbur and Lilley of the Senate, and Messrs. Smith of Worcester, Atkins of Provincetown, Shea of Boston, Doane of Harwich, Hathorne of Boston, Shaw of Lowell, Hurley of Randolph and McLaughlin of Boston of the House, were appointed a committee to wait upon the Governor and Lieutenant-Governor elect, and inform them that the two branches are now in convention for the purpose of administering the oaths of office required by the Constitution and a law of the United States to qualify them for the discharge of the duties of their respective offices.

And soon after,

The Governor and Lieutenant-Governor elect came in, accompanied by the Council, and severally took and subscribed the required oaths of office.

Governor's
Address.

And the Governor thereupon submitted an Address upon the general concerns of the Commonwealth.

And the two branches separated.

Councillors.

Mr. Gould, from the joint special committee to whom was referred the returns of votes for Councillors in the several councillor districts of the Commonwealth submitted a report thereon, as follows: —

It appears by said returns that the following-named gentlemen were elected in their respective districts, to wit: —

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| DISTRICT NO. 1. — | JONATHAN BOURNE of New Bedford. |
| " " 2. — | WARREN E. LOCKE of Norwood. |
| " " 3. — | JOHN HASKELL BUTLER of Somerville. |
| " " 4. — | LAWRENCE J. LOGAN of Boston. |
| " " 5. — | FRANK D. ALLEN of Lynn. |
| " " 6. — | ABRAHAM B. COFFIN of Winchester. |
| " " 7. — | HENRY C. GREELEY of Clinton. |
| " " 8. — | LEWIS J. POWERS of Springfield. |

And the report being considered under a suspension of the rule, was accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Thereupon, on motion of Mr Emerson,

Ordered, That the Secretary of the Commonwealth Councillors. give notice to Messrs. Jonathan Bourne, Warren E. Locke, John Haskell Butler, Lawrence J. Logan, Frank D. Allen, Abraham B. Coffin, Henry C. Greeley and Lewis J. Powers, that they have been duly elected Councillors to advise the Governor in the executive part of the government for the current political year.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Subsequently, a communication was received from the Secretary of the Commonwealth announcing that the Councillors-elect had signified their acceptance of the office, and were ready to be qualified.

Thereupon, on motion, it was

Ordered, That a convention of the two Houses be held forthwith for the purpose of administering the oaths of office to such Councillors-elect as may have signified their acceptance of the office.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

And, pursuant to assignment, the two branches met in

Convention.

And Messrs. Boynton, Walker and Naphen of the Senate, and Messrs. Hosmer of Concord, Roberts of Lynn, Bosworth of Easthampton, Johnson of Haverhill, Leonard of Fitchburg, Quinn of Boston, Larrabee of Melrose and Hammond of Mashpee of the House, were appointed a

committee to wait upon the Councillors-elect, and inform them that the two branches are now in convention for the purpose of administering to them the oaths of office.

Soon after, Messrs. Jonathan Bourne, Warren E. Locke, John Haskell Butler, Lawrence J. Logan, Frank D. Allen, Abraham B. Coffin, Henry C. Greeley and Lewis J. Powers came in, and severally took and subscribed the required oaths of office.

The two branches separated.

Papers from the House.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the Secretary of the Commonwealth give notice to the Governor that Messrs. Jonathan Bourne, Warren E. Locke, John Haskell Butler, Lawrence J. Logan, Frank D. Allen, Abraham B. Coffin, Henry C. Greeley and Lewis J. Powers have been duly elected and qualified as Councillors to advise him in the executive part of the government for the current political year.

Governor's
Address.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the joint special committee on preparing Rules for the government of the two branches consider and report what disposition should be made of the several portions of the Governor's Address.

Senate.

Mr. Dunbar, from the special committee to whom was referred the returns of votes for Senators in the several senatorial districts of the Commonwealth submitted a report thereon, by which it appeared that the following-named gentlemen were elected in their respective districts, to wit:—

Hon. Messrs. Wesley A. Gove of Boston,	in the First	} <i>Suffolk Districts.</i>
John R. Murphy of Boston,	Second	
Alexander B. McGahey of Boston,	Third	
Edward P. Wilbur of Boston,	Fourth	
Henry F. Naphen of Boston,	Fifth	
Albert E. Pillsbury of Boston,	Sixth	
Paul H. Kendrick of Boston,	Seventh	
and John J. Hayes of Boston,	Eighth	
Hon. Messrs. Frank W. Jones of Lynn,	in the First	} <i>Essex Districts.</i>
William Cogswell of Salem,	Second	
William H. Tappan of Manchester,	Third	
George W. Morrill of Amesbury,	Fourth	
Charles B. Emerson of Bradford,	Fifth	
and Samuel B. Locke of Andover,	Sixth	
Hon. Messrs. Eleazar Boynton of Medford,	in the First	} <i>Middlesex Districts.</i>
Augustus E. Scott of Lexington,	Second	
Alpheus B. Alger of Cambridge,	Third	
Francis Bigelow of Natick,	Fourth	
Luman T. Jeffs of Hudson,	Fifth	
John M. Harlow of Woburn,	Sixth	
and Charles S. Lilley of Lowell,	Seventh	

Hon. Messrs. Martin V. B. Jefferson of Worcester, . . .	in the First	} Worcester Districts.
William T. Forbes of Westborough, . . .	Second	
Allen L. Joslin of Oxford, . . .	Third	
Charles A. Gleason of New Braintree, . . .	Fourth	
and Henry S. Nourse of Lancaster, . . .	Fifth	
Hon. Messrs. Henry M. Phillips of Springfield, . . .	in the First	} Hampden Districts.
and James R. Dunbar of Westfield, . . .	Second	
Hon. Myron P. Walker of Belchertown, . . .	in the Hampshire District.	
Hon. Levi J. Gunn of Greenfield, . . .	in the Franklin District.	
Hon. Messrs. Edward D. G. Jones of Pittsfield, . . .	in the North	} Berkshire Districts.
and Herbert C. Joyner of Great Barrington, . . .	South	
Hon. Messrs. Elijah A. Morse of Canton, . . .	in the First	} Norfolk Districts.
and John H. Gould of Medfield, . . .	Second	
Hon. Messrs. Charles H. Howland of Plymouth, . . .	in the First	} Plymouth Districts.
and William L. Douglas of Brockton, . . .	Second	
Hon. Messrs. Charles A. Reed of Taunton, . . .	in the First	} Bristol Districts.
Robert Howard of Fall River, . . .	Second	
and Eben C. Milliken of New Bedford, . . .	Third	
Hon. Howes Norris of Cottage City, . . .	in the Cape District.	

And the report, under a suspension of the rule, was accepted.

Mr. Joyner presented a petition of Herbert L. Peck to be admitted to the seat at the Senate now occupied by Charles A. Reed of the First Bristol Senatorial District, and the same was referred to the committee on the returns of votes for Senators.

First Bristol Senatorial District.

Adjourned.

FRIDAY, January 8, 1886.

Met according to adjournment.

Rev. Edmund Dowse having accepted the office of Chaplain. Chaplain, was present and offered prayer.

On motion of Mr. Boynton, —

Ordered, That the Clerk be authorized to begin the printing of the Journal of the Senate and that five hundred copies of the same be printed.

Journal.

On motion of Mr. Joyner, —

Ordered, That when the Senate adjourns on Friday of each week it be to meet on the following Monday, at two o'clock P. M., and that that be the daily hour of meeting until otherwise ordered.

Adjournment.

Mr. Cogswell, from the committee on Rules, on the order in relation to the disposition of the several portions of the Governor's Address, submitted a report thereon, in part, as follows: —

Governor's Address.

- Finances.** So much thereof as relates to the finances of the Commonwealth should be referred to the joint standing committee on Expenditures.
- Hoosac Tunnel, etc.** So much thereof as relates to the Troy and Greenfield Railroad and Hoosac Tunnel, to the joint standing committee on Hoosac Tunnel and Troy and Greenfield Railroad.
- N. Y. & N. E. R. R.** So much thereof as relates to the New York and New England Railroad, to the joint standing committee on Railroads.
- Savings banks.** So much thereof as relates to saving banks, to the joint standing committee on Banks and Banking.
- Biennial election and sessions.** So much thereof as relates to biennial elections and biennial sessions of the General Court, and to elections, to the joint standing committee on Election Laws.
- Military department.** So much thereof as relates to the military department, to the joint standing committee on Military Affairs.
- Liquor laws.** So much thereof as relates to the liquor laws, to the joint standing committee on the Liquor Law.
- Industrial, arbitration, etc.** So much thereof as relates to industrial arbitration and the payment of wages, to the joint standing committee on Labor.
- Public schools.** So much thereof as relates to public schools, to the joint standing committee on Education.
- Agriculture,** So much thereof as relates to agriculture, to the joint standing committee on Agriculture.
- Topographical survey, etc.** So much thereof as relates to a topographical survey, to the joint standing committee on Expenditures.
- Public health.** So much thereof as relates to the public health, to the joint standing committee on Public Health.
- Lunacy, etc.** So much thereof as relates to lunacy, lunatic hospitals, and other public charitable institutions, to the joint standing committee on Public Charitable Institutions.
- Civil service.** So much thereof as relates to the civil service, to the joint standing committee on Public Service.
- Insurance.** So much thereof as relates to insurance, to the joint standing committee on that subject.
- Drainage.** So much thereof as relates to a system of drainage, to the joint standing committee on Drainage.
- Municipal expenditures.** So much thereof as relates to municipal expenditures, to the joint standing committee on Cities.
- Prisons.** So much thereof as relates to prisons, to the joint standing committee on Prisons.
- Courts.** So much thereof as relates to the courts, to a joint special committee, to consist of the committees on the Judiciary of the two branches.

So much thereof as relates to the Bennington and Gettysburg monuments, and the New Hampshire boundary, to the committee on Federal Relations. Bennington and Gettysburg.

So much thereof as relates to the census and industrial statistics, to the committee on Manufactures. Census.

So much thereof as relates to railroad relief and pension funds, to the committee on Railroads. Railroad relief, etc., and pensions.

So much thereof as relates to fugitives from justice, to indeterminate sentences, and to national bank taxes, to the joint committee on the Judiciary. Fugitives from justice, etc.

So much thereof as relates to the district police, and to the public service, to the committee on Public Service. District police.

So much thereof as refers to state aid, to the committee on Military Affairs. State aid.

And the report being considered under a suspension of the rules, was accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. Cogswell from the committee to provide Rules for the Government of the two branches reported, in part, the Rules of last year, with the following amendments, to wit: That Rule 1 be amended in the 10th line by striking out the words "a Committee on Expenditures"; said rule in the 30th line to be amended so as to read "a Committee on Fisheries and Game"; said rule in the 43d line to be amended so as to read "A Committee on Expenditures to consist of the"; said rule in the 47th line to be amended so as to read "Probate and Insolvency" instead of "Probate and Chancery." Rule 8 to be amended by striking out the 10th, 11th and 12th lines. Joint Rules.

And the report being considered under a suspension of the rule, was accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Mr. Lilley from the special committee on Rules of the Senate reported, *in part*, as follows, — Senate Rules.

They recommend that Rule 13 of the Rules of the Senate of last year, be adopted in the sixth line thereof amended to read as follows, —

A committee on "Probate and Insolvency" instead of a committee on matters of "Probate and Chancery."

And the report being considered, under a suspension of the rule, was accepted.

Arrangement of
seats.

Mr. Harlow, from the special committee to whom was referred the order in relation to the subject, reported the following

Arrangement of Seats.

RIGHT.

1. Hon. CHARLES S. LILLEY.
2. Hon. M. V. B. JEFFERSON.
3. Hon. JOHN M. HARLOW.
4. Hon. HENRY S. NOURSE.
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And the report being considered under a suspension of the rule, was accepted.

Adjourned.

MONDAY, January 11, 1886.

Met according to adjournment.

A communication was received from the Clerk announcing his appointment of E. Herbert Clapp, as Assistant Clerk of the Senate for the present year.

On motion of Mr. Norris, the vote by which the report of the committee on the arrangement of seats was accepted, was reconsidered, and on motion of the same Senator, the report was amended so as to read as follows.

And the report was again accepted as amended.

Arrangement of Seats.

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The report of the joint special committee on the disposition of the several portions of the Governor's address came from the House concurred with an amendment, which was adopted in concurrence.

The President announced the following Committees :—

Standing Committees of the Senate.

On the Judiciary.—Messrs. Cogswell of Essex, Scott of Middlesex, Dunbar of Hampden, Lilley of Middlesex, and Joyner of Berkshire. Standing Committees of the Senate.

On Matters of Probate and Insolvency.—Messrs. Reed of Bristol, Naphen of Suffolk, and Forbes of Worcester.

On the Treasury.—Messrs. Morrill of Essex, Walker of Hampshire, and Douglas of Plymouth.

On Bills in the Third Reading.—Messrs. Forbes of Worcester, Reed of Bristol, and Dunbar of Hampden.

On Engrossed Bills.—Messrs. Alger of Middlesex, Norris of the Cape, and Murphy of Suffolk.

On Rules.—Messrs. Lilley of Middlesex, Joyner of Berkshire, and Cogswell of Essex.

Joint Standing Committees.

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On Agriculture. — Messrs. Gleason of Worcester, Howland of Plymouth, and Gould of Norfolk, *of the Senate.*

Sent down to be joined.

Came up; and Messrs. Wood of Newton, Bird of Framingham, Stockwell of Sutton, Wheeler of Bolton, Herrick of Blandford, Burroughs of Warren, Batchelder of North Reading, and Brown of Hamilton, *of the House*, are joined.

On Banks and Banking. — Messrs. Joslin of Worcester, Boynton of Middlesex, and Hayes of Suffolk, *of the Senate.*

Sent down to be joined.

Came up; and Messrs. Cowdrey of Stoneham, Fletcher of Belmont, Perham of Chelmsford, Harlow of Middleborough, Hersey of Hingham, Milne of Fall River, Leland of Grafton, and Perkins of Holyoke, *of the House*, are joined.

On Cities. — Messrs. Wilbur of Suffolk, Kendrick of Suffolk, and Reed of Bristol, *of the Senate.*

Sent down to be joined.

Came up; and Messrs. Stevens of Lowell, Stevens of Boston, Fitzgerald of Boston, Bennink of Cambridge, Morrill of Chelsea, Hathorne of Boston, Berry of Salem, and Goss of Lynn, *of the House*, are joined.

On Claims. — Messrs. Joyner of Berkshire and Joslin of Worcester, *of the Senate.*

Sent down to be joined.

Came up; and Messrs. Mason of Worcester, Collins of Boston, Leighton of Pepperell, Holmes of Spencer, Shea of Boston, Hopkins of Conway, and Fitzpatrick of Stoughton, *of the House*, are joined.

On Drainage. — Messrs. Kendrick of Suffolk, Harlow of Middlesex, and Nourse of Worcester, *of the Senate.*

Sent down to be joined.

Came up; and Messrs. Hooper of Medford, Fiske of Boston, Parker of Worcester, Daley of Uxbridge, Stevenson of Boston, Oxley of Ashland, Stratton of Gardner, and Reardon of Boston, *of the House*, are joined.

On Education. — Messrs. Forbes of Worcester, Harlow of Middlesex, and Scott of Middlesex, *of the Senate.*

Sent down to be joined.

Came up; and Messrs. Rice of Winchendon, Smith of

Worcester, Dolan of Boston, Wood of Newton, Hillman of Chilmark, O'Connor of Worcester, Fickett of East Bridgewater, and Allen of Boston, *of the House*, are joined.

On Election Laws. — Messrs. Dunbar of Hampden, Norris of the Cape, and Naphen of Suffolk, *of the Senate*.

Sent down to be joined.

Came up ; and Messrs. Davenport of Marlborough, Flynn of Boston, Barden of Attleborough, Hurley of Randolph, Gurney of South Abington, Merritt of Chelsea, Walker of Salisbury, and Wilbur of West Brookfield, *of the House*, are joined.

On Expenditures. — Messrs. Morrill of Essex, Walker of Hampshire, and Douglas of Plymouth, *of the Senate*.

Sent down to be joined.

Came up ; and Messrs. Dresser of Boston, Walker of Malden, Marcy of Newton, Mills of Williamstown, Sleeper of Cambridge, Curtis of Boston, Hosmer of Concord, McEttrick of Boston, and Perley of Templeton, *of the House*, are joined.

On Federal Relations. — Messrs. Jones of Berkshire and McGahey of Suffolk, *of the Senate*.

Sent down to be joined.

Came up ; and Messrs. Rust of Boston, Batchelder of Peabody, Lincoln of Dighton, Boynton of South Hadley, Briggs of Taunton, Jaquith of Billerica, and Burke of Boston, *of the House*, are joined.

On Fisheries and Game. — Messrs. Douglas of Plymouth and Tappan of Essex, *of the Senate*.

Sent down to be joined.

Came up ; and Messrs. Doane of Harwich, Stackpole of Ipswich, Smith of Springfield, Atkins of Provincetown, Allen of Westport, Young of Wellfleet, and McLellan of Gloucester, *of the House*, are joined.

On Harbors and Public Lands. — Messrs. Gove of Suffolk, Milliken of Bristol, and Tappan of Essex, *of the Senate*.

Sent down to be joined.

Came up ; and Messrs. Butterfield of Chelsea, Chappelle of Boston, Friend of Gloucester, Harkins of Boston, Freeman of New Bedford, Dodge of Beverly, Loring of Yarmouth, and Godfrey of New Bedford, *of the House*, are joined.

On the Hoosac Tunnel and Troy and Greenfield Railroad. — Messrs. Naphen of Suffolk, Gunn of Franklin, and Jones of Berkshire, *of the Senate*.

Sent down to be joined.

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Came up ; and Messrs. Cook of New Bedford, Hadley of Leominster, Baker of Shelburne, McLaughlin of Boston, Wilson of Fitchburg, Fales of Norwood, Kearn of North Adams, and Brady of Lowell, *of the House*, are joined.

On Insurance. — Messrs. Walker of Hampshire and Hayes of Suffolk, *of the Senate*.

Sent down to be joined.

Came up ; and Messrs. Currier of Worcester, Ambler of Weymouth, Davis of Somerville, Tierney of Salem, Henry of Fall River, Tucke of Lowell, and Provin of Westfield, *of the House*, are joined.

On Labor. — Messrs. Jefferson of Worcester, Douglas of Plymouth, and Howard of Bristol, *of the Senate*.

Sent down to be joined.

Came up ; and Messrs. Federhen of Quincy, Stratton of Milford, Conway of Fall River, Davenport of Marlborough, Murphy of Lawrence, Parkman of Boston, Walker of Lynn, and Crosby of Enfield, *of the House*, are joined.

On the Library. — Messrs. Nourse of Worcester and Wilbur of Suffolk, *of the Senate*.

Sent down to be joined.

Came up ; and Messrs. Boyden of Foxborough, Whitmore of Sunderland, Cross of Mattapoisett, Shearer of Colrain, Seaverns of Scituate, Shaw of Goshen, and McCarthy of Brockton, *of the House*, are joined.

On Liquor Law. — Messrs. Jefts of Middlesex and Morrill of Essex, *of the Senate*.

Sent down to be joined.

Came up ; and Messrs. Smith of Worcester, McQueeney of Lawrence, Small of Northborough, Rich of Royalston, Hubbard of Wales, D. J. Maguire of Boston, and Harrington of Fall River, *of the House*, are joined.

On Manufactures. — Messrs. Gunn of Franklin, Jones of Berkshire, and Jefts of Middlesex, *of the Senate*.

Sent down to be joined.

Came up ; and Messrs. Hallett of Nantucket, Crane of Woburn, Boyden of Foxborough, Backup of Boston, Gorman of Fall River, Desmond of Boston, Wilbur of Raynham, and Burns of Ayer, *of the House*, are joined.

On Mercantile Affairs. — Messrs. Boynton of Middlesex, Emerson of Essex, and Alger of Middlesex, *of the Senate*.

Sent down to be joined.

Came up ; and Messrs. Fay of Brookline, Townsend of

Lawrence, Story of Gloucester, Brightman of New Bedford, Leahy of Boston, Hunnewell of Wellesley, Hunt of Boston, and Millis of Millis, *of the House*, are joined.

On Military Affairs. — Messrs. Gould of Norfolk, Cogswell of Essex, and Joyner of Berkshire, *of the Senate*.

Sent down to be joined.

Came up; and Messrs. Tobin of Boston, Dodge of Beverly, Johnson of Haverhill, Stackpole of Ipswich, Miles of Hudson, Knight of Springfield, White of Leicester, and Bray of Salem, *of the House*, are joined.

On Parishes and Religious Societies. — Messrs. Emerson of Essex and Morse of Norfolk, *of the Senate*.

Sent down to be joined.

Came up; and Messrs. Smith of Clinton, Dewing of Holliston, Frost of Mansfield, Freeman of Webster, Norton of Otis, Sullivan of Boston, and Andrus of Sheffield, *of the House*, are joined.

On Printing. — Messrs. Murphy of Suffolk and Norris of the Cape, *of the Senate*.

Sent down to be joined.

Came up; and Messrs. Gunn of Boston, Fulton of North Adams, Sillars of Danvers, Tobin of Boston, Fales of Norwood, Brady of Lowell, and Kennedy of Boston, *of the House*, are joined.

On Prisons. — Messrs. Tappan of Essex, Bigelow of Middlesex, and Jones of Essex, *of the Senate*.

Sent down to be joined.

Came up; and Messrs. Beckford of Lynn, Donovan of Boston, Sawyer of Methuen, Ryan of Chicopee, Mellen of Worcester, Leonard of Fitchburg, Sanderson of Boston, and Savage of Taunton, *of the House*, are joined.

On Public Charitable Institutions. — Messrs. Howland of Plymouth, Kendricken of Suffolk, and Jefts of Middlesex, *of the Senate*.

Sent down to be joined.

Came up; and Messrs. Milne of Fall River, Warden of Waltham, Fletcher of Belmont, Whitney of Westfield, Flynn of Somerville, James of Williamsburg, Roberts of Lynn, and Thompson of Braintree, *of the House*, are joined.

On Public Health. — Messrs. Harlow of Middlesex, Emerson of Essex, and Murphy of Suffolk, *of the Senate*.

Sent down to be joined.

Came up; and Messrs. Frothingham of Haverhill, Baker

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of Shelburne, Gleason of Rockland, Smith of Springfield, Wilkinson of Cambridge, Mason of Savoy, Rea of North Andover, and Keane of Holyoke, *of the House*, are joined.

On Public Service. — Messrs. Nourse of Worcester and Alger of Middlesex, *of the Senate*.

Sent down to be joined.

Came up; and Messrs. Stevens of Boston, Rice of Winchendon, Dolan of Boston, Hadley of Leominster, Upham of Salem, Cary of Brockton, and Butler of Worcester, *of the House*, are joined.

On Railroads. — Messrs. Norris of the Cape, Jefferson of Worcester, Phillips of Hampden, and Gould of Norfolk, *of the Senate*.

Sent down to be joined.

Came up; and Messrs. Wharton of Boston, Cook of New Bedford, Roads of Marblehead, Stevens of Lowell, Dwyer of Boston, Darling of Somerville, Lovell of Weymouth, Crosby of Pittsfield, Moseley of Newburyport, Bent of Cambridge, and Clark of Lynn, *of the House*, are joined.

On Roads and Bridges. — Messrs. Bigelow of Middlesex, Howard of Bristol, and Jones of Essex, *of the Senate*.

Sent down to be joined.

Came up; and Messrs. Felch of Newburyport, Hammond of Mashpee, Webster of Southborough, Woodbury of Oxford, Hicks of Monroe, Chase of Georgetown, Brooks of Kingston, and Dorr of Richmond, *of the House*, are joined.

On the State House. — Messrs. Hayes of Suffolk and Joslin of Worcester, *of the Senate*.

Sent down to be joined.

Came up; and Messrs. Chappelle of Boston, Sanderson of Springfield, Goodwin of Merrimac, Hathaway of Boston, Perry of Natick, Sillars of Danvers, and Kearn of North Adams, *of the House*, are joined.

On Street Railways. — Messrs. Milliken of Bristol, Lilley of Middlesex, and Wilbur of Suffolk, *of the Senate*.

Sent down to be joined.

Came up; and Messrs. Burns of Ayer, J. J. Maguire of Boston, Coes of Worcester, Sherman of Taunton, Rust of Boston, Doyle of Cambridge, Creed of Boston, and Goldthwait of Marblehead, *of the House*, are joined.

On Taxation. — Messrs. Morse of Norfolk, Gunn of Franklin, and McGahey of Suffolk, *of the Senate*.

Sent down to be joined.

Came up; and Messrs. Bailey of Everett, Dillingham of Sandwich, Bosworth of Easthampton, Brigham of Boston, Downes of Canton, O'Hearn of Lawrence, Quinn of Boston, and Burget of Great Barrington, *of the House*, are joined.

On Towns. — Messrs. Phillips of Hampden, Gleason of Worcester, and Locke of Essex, *of the Senate*.

Sent down to be joined.

Came up; and Messrs. Taft of Palmer, Field of Boston, Sampson of Pembroke, Jenney of Hyde Park, Blyth of Wakefield, Allen of Oakham, Shaw of Lowell, and Woodward of Boston, *of the House*, are joined.

On Water Supply. — Messrs. Scott of Middlesex, Gove of Suffolk, and Locke of Essex, *of the Senate*.

Sent down to be joined.

Came up; and Messrs. Gamwell of Pittsfield, Wilson of Lowell, Cook of Springfield, McDonough of Boston, Peirce of Arlington, Lynch of Boston, Hitchings of Saugus, and Murphy of Boston, *of the House*, are joined.

On Woman Suffrage. — Messrs. Milliken of Bristol and Morse of Norfolk, *of the Senate*.

Sent down to be joined.

Came up; and Messrs. Wilkinson of Cambridge, McQueeney of Lawrence, Atkins of Provincetown, Andrus of Sheffield, Larrabee of Melrose, Seaverns of Scituate, and Walkup of Erving, *of the House*, are joined.

A communication was received from the Cattle Commissioners transmitting their several reports for the year 1885, and the same were laid on the table and ordered to be printed.

Cattle Commissioners' Report.

The President also laid before the Senate the Report of the State House Commission on the work performed and expenditures made, under its direction, during the year 1885; and the same was laid on the table and ordered to be printed.

State House Commission.

On motion of Mr. Cogswell, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of so amending chapter 35 of the

Engineers of fire departments.

Public Statutes as to authorize boards of selectmen to remove engineers of fire departments for cause.

Mr. Tappan, on leave, introduced a Resolve to authorize the Commissioners of Prisons to obtain plans for increasing the number of cells at the State Prison, and the same was read and referred to the committee on Prisons.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Petitions were presented and referred as follows : —

Springfield.

By Mr. Phillips, a petition of the Mayor of Springfield for authority to appropriate money to pay the expenses of a celebration of the 250th anniversary of the settlement of said city ;

To the committee on Cities.

Geo. G. Spear,
Jr.

By Mr. Lilley, a petition of George G. Spear, Jr., for the establishment of the salary of the third clerk in the department of the Secretary of the Commonwealth ;

To the committee on Public Service.

Boston & Maine
and Eastern R.
R. Cos.

By Mr. Norris, a petition of the Boston & Maine and Eastern Railroad Companies for authority to change their terminal location in the city of Boston and for other purposes ;

To the committee on Railroads.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

Come up concurred.

Adjourned.

TUESDAY, January 12, 1886.

Met according to adjournment.

Petitions were presented and referred as follows : —

John M. Berry
et al.

By Mr. Howard, a petition of John M. Berry and another for a thorough revision of the provisions of the Constitution relating to the election of senators and representatives to the General Court ;

To the committee on Labor.

By Mr. Naphen, a petition of the constables of the Municipal Court of Boston for criminal business, for an increase of salaries. Municipal Court, Boston.

By Mr. Nourse, a petition of the officers and messenger of the Supreme Judicial Court for an increase of salaries. Supreme Judicial Court.

By Mr. Gould, a petition of the officers and messenger of the Superior Court for the transaction of criminal business, and of the 1st, 2d and 3d sessions of the Superior Court in the county of Suffolk, for an increase of salaries. Superior Court.

Severally to the committee on Public Service.

By Mr. Norris, a petition of James A. May and others, in aid of the petition of Nathaniel P. Allen and others for a division of the town of Beverly and the incorporation of a new town to be called Beverly Farms. Beverly Farms.

To the committee on Towns.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Orders Adopted.

On motion of Mr. Dunbar,—

Ordered, That the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of such legislation as will provide for a re-count of ballots cast at elections held in towns. Ballots, recount of.

On motion of Mr. Norris,—

Ordered, That the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of legislation so as to provide for precinct voting in towns. Towns, precinct voting in.

On motion of Mr. Norris,—

Ordered, That the Resolve to amend the Constitution so as to provide for biennial elections be taken from the files of last year and referred to the committee on Election Laws. Biennial elections.

On motion of Mr. Howard,—

Ordered, That the committee on Labor consider the expediency of limiting the hours of labor for females and minors in manufacturing, mechanical and mercantile establishments to fifty-six and a half hours weekly. Hours of labor.

On motion of Mr. Douglas,—

Ordered, That the committee on Labor consider the expediency of legislation requiring the weekly payment of wages by all corporations. Wages.

Telegraph and
telephone com-
panies.

On motion of Mr. Lilley,—

Ordered, That the committee on Mercantile Affairs consider the expediency of further legislation concerning the regulation and conduct of telegraph and telephone companies doing business in the Commonwealth.

Convict labor.

On motion of Mr. Jones of Essex,—

Ordered, That the committee on Prisons consider the expediency of such legislation as will abolish the contract convict system of labor in the penal institutions of the Commonwealth.

Insane paupers.

On motion of Mr. Phillips,—

Ordered, That the committee on Public Charitable Institutions consider the expediency of further legislation giving to overseers of the poor and masters of almshouses in cities and towns, authority over insane paupers discharged from lunatic hospitals under the provisions of sections 39, 40 and 41 of chapter 87 of the Public Statutes.

Twelfth Joint
Rule.

On motion of Mr. Lilley,—

Ordered, That the Clerks of the two branches cause the 12th Joint Rule to be published twice each in three daily newspapers published in Boston, and also in one daily paper in each city and town in the Commonwealth where a daily paper is published.

Severally sent down for concurrence

Came up concurred.

Papers from the House.

Nathaniel
Randlett.

A petition of Nathaniel Randlett of Northampton for amendment of chapter 192 of the Acts of the year 1882, by extending time for owners of water rights to make application for damage and for relief in the premises; and

South Abington.

A petition of the town of South Abington for amendment of chapter 206 of the Acts of the year 1885, that the joint liability of each town in the construction of water works may be more clearly defined, came up referred to the committee on Water Supply, and the Senate non-concurred in the reference thereof and referred the same to the joint committee on the Judiciary.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The following were received and referred in concurrence, as follows :

A petition of E. C. Butler and others, of Beverly, to be set off from jurisdiction of First District Court of Essex, etc; and E. C. Butler
et al.

So much of the forty-third report of the registry and return of births, marriages and deaths, together with the returns of libels for divorce, as relates to divorce; Divorce.

To the joint committee on the Judiciary.

A petition of the mayor of Lynn for an amendment of the charter of said city, so as to provide for an additional member of the Common Council from Ward 2; Lynn.

A petition of the mayor of the city of Lynn for an amendment of its charter relative to an additional member of the council from Ward 3 in said city; and Lynn.

A petition of the mayor of Lynn for an amendment of the charter of said city so that the members of the city council shall not be eligible to hold certain city offices; Lynn.

A petition of William R. Plunkett and others of the town of Pittsfield for a city charter of said town; Pittsfield.

Severally to the committee on Cities.

A petition of Charles G. Stevens, John W. Corcoran and Jonas E. Howe, a committee of the town of Clinton, for authority to construct a system of sewers, etc; and Charles G.
Stevens et als.

The report of the Commission appointed to consider a general system of drainage for the valleys of the Mystic, Blackstone and Charles rivers; Drainage.

Severally to the committee on Drainage.

A petition of James G. and David Tarr, owners of Rocky Neck Marine Railway, Gloucester, for amendment of chapter 124, Acts of 1866, that the harbor line in said city may be changed; James G. Tarr
et al.

To the committee on Harbors and Public Lands.

Sixteenth annual report of the Bureau of Statistics of Labor; and Labor.

So much of the forty-third report of the registration of births, marriages and deaths, together with the returns of libels for divorce, as relates to births, marriages and deaths;

Severally to the committee on Labor.

The report of the librarian of the State Library;

Library.

To the committee on the Library.

A petition of the Chelsea Gaslight Company for an amendment of its charter relative to selling illuminating gas to the town of Revere; Chelsea Gas
Light Co.

To the committee on Manufactures.

Public charita-
ble institutions.

The thirty-eighth annual report of the trustees of the Massachusetts School for the Feeble-Minded, at South Boston ;

A petition of Edgar A. Hayward and others, that a system of State aid may be established for the blind, similar to that now in operation for disabled soldiers ;

The seventh annual report of the trustees of the State Primary and Reform School ;

The eighth annual report of the trustees of the Danvers Lunatic Hospital ;

The thirtieth annual report of the trustees of the State Lunatic Hospital at Northampton ;

The thirty-second annual report of the trustees of the State Lunatic Hospital at Taunton ;

The thirty-second annual report of the trustees of the State Workhouse at Bridgewater ;

The fifty-fourth annual report of the trustees of the Perkins Institution and Massachusetts School for the Blind ;

The thirty-second annual report of the State Almshouse at Tewksbury ;

The fifty-third annual report of the Worcester Lunatic Hospital ; and

The first annual report of the trustees of the Westborough Insane Hospital ;

Severally to the committee on Public Charitable Institutions.

Public health.

The supplement to the Sixth Annual Report of the State Board of Health, Lunacy and Charity, containing the report and papers on Public Health ;

To the committee on Public Health.

Isaac H. Edgett.

A petition of Isaac H. Edgett, second clerk in the office of Secretary of the Commonwealth, for an increase of salary ;

To the committee on Public Service.

Conn. River
R. R. Co.

A petition of the Connecticut River Railroad Company for authority to purchase the Ashuelot Railroad Company ;

Providence &
Worcester
R. R. Co.

A petition of the Providence & Worcester Railroad Company for authority to cross at grade the tracks of the Boston & Albany and the Norwich & Worcester railroads in Worcester ; and

Worcester,
Nashua &
Rochester
R. R. Co.

A petition of the Worcester, Nashua & Rochester Railroad Company for a confirmation of its lease to the Boston & Maine Railroad Company, and to allow savings banks to invest in the bonds and notes of said Worcester, Nashua & Rochester Railroad ;

Severally to the committee on Railroads.

A petition of Tristram R. Holley and others of Edgartown, that the expense of maintaining Senguekontacket bridge may be apportioned between Edgartown and Cottage City ; and Tristram R. Holley et als.

A petition of the city of Lawrence, that maintenance of a bridge over the south canal of the Essex Company may be transferred to said city ; Lawrence.

Severally to the committee on Roads and Bridges.

A petition of John A. Enos and others for authority to build an elevated railway in the town of Winthrop ; John A. Enos et als.

A petition of John A. Enos and others of Nahant and Lynn for authority to build and maintain an electric elevated railway between said towns ; Ibid.

A petition of John W. Candler and others for incorporation as the Boston Elevated Railroad Company ; John W. Candler et als.

A petition of H. H. Hutchins and others for incorporation as the Boston and Somerville Elevated Railroad Company, with power to build and operate by electricity elevated railroads from Boston through Somerville to Medford ; H. H. Hutchins et als.

A petition of Stoneham Street Railway Company, to extend its tracks into Saugus, Lynn, Malden and Woburn ; Stoneham Street Railway Co.

A petition of the Lynn & Boston Railroad Company for an amendment of its charter ; Lynn & Boston R. R. Co.

A petition of the Naumkeag Street Railway Company for authority to purchase the Salem Street Railway and to lay tracks in Wenham and Hamilton ; and Naumkeag Street Railway Co.

A petition of the Salem Street Railway Company for authority to sell its franchise and property to the Naumkeag Street Railway Company ; Salem Street Railway Co.

Severally to the committee on Street Railways.

A petition of William F. Draper and others, of Milford, for division of the town and establishment of a new town ; Milford.

A petition of Nathaniel P. Allen and others, of Beverly, for division of the town and incorporation of a new town to be called " Beverly Farms ;" Beverly Farms.

A petition of Nathaniel P. Allen and others for legislation relative to the incorporation of the town of Beverly Farms and the boundary line of said new town ; Ibid.

A petition of Addison Williams and others, of Wenham, that the easterly part of said town and Beverly Farms may be incorporated as a new town, by the name of Beverly Farms ; Ibid.

- Medford.** A petition of Henry Hastings and others, of Medford, for division of the town and incorporation of a new town ;
- Melrose.** A petition of J. W. Page and others, that a part of Melrose may be annexed to the city of Malden ;
- Leyden.** A petition of Lucius P. Chapin and others, of Leyden, that a part of said town be set off and annexed to the town of Bernardston ;
- Atlantic, Squantum and Moon Island.** A petition of F. C. Pope, C. A. Richards and others, for annexation of Atlantic, Squantum and Moon Island to Boston ;
- South Abington.** A petition of the town of South Abington for a change of name ;
- Marblehead and Swampscott.** A petition of Caleb Childs and others, of Marblehead and Swampscott, that " Great Neck " and the " Farms," in Marblehead, and the adjoining part of Swampscott, may be incorporated as a separate town ;
- Stoughton.** A petition of Henry H. Tucker and others, that the easterly part of the town of Stoughton may be annexed to the city of Brockton ;
- Revere.** A petition of T. F. Boylen and others of Revere, that the northerly portion of said town be set off and annexed to the city of Malden ;
- Amesbury and Salisbury.** A petition of D. J. Marston and others, of Amesbury and Salisbury, that said towns may be united, or a part of Salisbury annexed to Amesbury ; and
- Watertown.** A petition of John W. Tuttle and others, of Watertown, that that portion of Watertown on the south side of Charles River may be annexed to Newton ;
- Severally to the committee on Towns.
- Charles C. Hitchcock et als.** A petition of Charles C. Hitchcock and others, of Ware, for authority to take the waters of Muddy Brook and other streams in Ware and Hardwick for a water supply for the town of Ware ;
- Waldo Higginson et als.** A petition of Waldo Higginson and others for incorporation for the purpose of supplying the town of Cohasset with water ;
- A. R. Holmes et als.** A petition of A. R. Holmes and others, of Canton, for legislation to enable said town to take water from York Pond and Beaver Brook, and tributaries in Canton and Stoughton ;
- John J. Phinney et als.** A petition of John J. Phinney and others, of Stoughton, for incorporation for the purpose of supplying the town with water from York Pond in Stoughton and Canton, and brooks in Stoughton ;

A petition of Philip T. Nickerson and others for incorporation as the Andover Water Company ; Philip T. Nickerson et als.

A petition of the Dedham Water Company and Jamaica Pond Aqueduct Corporation for authority to consolidate and unite, if they shall elect so to do ; Dedham Water Co. et al.

A petition of Solon F. Smith and others, of Grafton, for incorporation for the purpose of conveying the waters of George or Misco Brook through the village of Grafton Centre ; Solon F. Smith et als.

A petition of the Revere Water Company, for authority to increase its water supply from the waters of Santauge Lake or Humphrey's Pond, in Lynnfield and Peabody ; Revere Water Co.

A petition of C. H. Bond and others, of Saugus, for incorporation to supply the town with water from springs within the said town ; C. H. Bond et al.

A petition of the Quincy Water Company for authority to take water from "Town Brook" in Braintree ; Quincy Water Co.

A petition of the Sharon Water Company for amendment of its charter, with reference to supplying the towns of Sharon, Stoughton and Canton with water by said company, and for an increase of its capital stock ; Sharon Water Co.

A petition of the Hingham Water Company for authority to take water from certain water sources in Hingham to meet demands for increased supply ; Hingham Water Co.

A petition of the mayor of Boston for authority to take water from the Shawsheen River for an additional water supply for said city ; and Boston.

A petition of the mayor of the city of Lynn that the Marblehead Water Company be prohibited from digging up the streets in Lynn without the consent of the mayor of said city ; Lynn.

Severally to the committee on Water Supply.

Mr. Lilley from the special committee on Rules for the government of the Senate presented a further and final Report recommending the adoption of the following as Rule 38 : " No member shall speak more than once on the same question, to the prevention of any other who has not spoken and is desirous to speak." Rules of the Senate.

And the report being considered under a suspension of the rule, was accepted.

Adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, January 13, 1886.

Met according to adjournment.

Boston.

Petitions were presented and referred as follows : —

By Mr. Kendrick, a petition of the mayor of Boston for additional legislation to secure a more speedy and prompt filling of vacancies in both branches of the City Council ;

To the committee on Cities.

Tobacco.

By Mr. Jefts, a petition of Edward P. Miles and others ; and by Mr. Harlow, a petition of the Woman's to prohibit the selling or giving away of tobacco in any State Christian Temperance Union, severally for a law form to a minor ;

To the committee on Public Health.

Municipal Court
of Boston.

By Mr. Naphen, a petition of the constables of the Municipal Court of the City of Boston for civil business for an increase of salaries ;

To the committee on Public Service.

Salisbury and
Amesbury.

By Mr. Morrill, petitions of John G. Whittier and 300 others of Amesbury, and Charles W. Morrill and 304 others of Salisbury, severally in aid of the petition of D. J. Marston and others, of Salisbury and Amesbury, that said towns may be united, or a part of Salisbury annexed to Amesbury ;

Severally to the committee on Towns.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Boston.

By Mr. Murphy, a petition of the mayor of the city of Boston, that the debt issued under authority of chapter 377 of the Acts of the year 1885, on account of a new court house and site, be not included within the limitation prescribed by chapter 178 of the Acts of the year 1885 ;

Augustus P.
Martin et al.

By Mr. Wilbur, a petition of Augustus P. Martin and others for the incorporation of the Algonquin Club of the city of Boston ;

Severally to the committee on the Judiciary.

On motion of Mr. Dunbar, —

John M. Berry
et al.

The vote by which the Senate referred to the committee on Labor, the petition of John M. Berry and another for a thorough revision of the provisions of the

Constitution relating to the election of senators and representatives to the General Court was reconsidered, and the same was referred to the committee on the Judiciary of the Senate.

Mr. Gove, on leave, introduced a Bill to abolish the Municipal Court of the East Boston District, and to establish the East Boston District Court; and the same was read and referred to the joint committee on the Judiciary.

Municipal
Court, East
Boston.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Mr. Gleason, on leave, introduced a Resolve to provide for the completion of a laboratory for the Massachusetts Agricultural Experiment Station, and the same was read and referred to the committee on Agriculture.

Mass. Agricult-
ural Experiment
Station.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The following reports were severally taken from the table, and were referred as follows:—

The Report of the Cattle Commissioners on contagious diseases among domestic animals; and

Cattle Commis-
sioners.

The Report of the Cattle Commissioners, on the same subject, for the last quarter of the year 1885;

To the committee on Agriculture.

The Report of the State House Commission on the work performed and expenditures made, under its direction, during the year 1885;

To the committee on the State House.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The report of the number of pardons issued by the Governor, by and with the advice of the Executive Council, during the year 1885, was taken from the table and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Orders Adopted.

On motion of Mr. Morrill,—

Ordered, That the committee on Expenditures examine into the condition of the securities in the hands of the Treasurer and Receiver General, and witness the transfer of the same to the Treasurer and Receiver General elect.

Treasurer and
Receiver-
General.

On motion of Mr. Douglas,—
Arbitration. *Ordered*, That the committee on Labor consider the expediency of a law for providing a State Board of Arbitration for the settlement of disputes between employer and employee, or other causes.

On motion of Mr. Howland,—
Health, Lunacy and Charity. *Ordered*, That the Report of the Board of Health, Lunacy and Charity for the year 1884 be taken from the files of last year and referred to the committee on Public Charitable Institutions.

On motion of Mr. Phillips,—
Ordered, That the committee on Towns be authorized to visit such places as they may deem necessary in the discharge of their duties.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

On motion of Mr. Naphef,—
Opium. *Ordered*, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of amending chapter 73 of the Acts of the year 1885, prohibiting the sale and use of opium for certain purposes, so that a court of justice authorized to issue warrants in criminal cases shall issue a warrant to search for opium or any of its preparations, and all articles used in connection therewith, intended to be sold or used contrary to law. Also, to amend said Act so that a person who knowingly lets a building, owned by him or under his control, for the purpose of having opium used or sold contrary to law therein, or permits any part of said building or tenement to be so used, or who, after having due notice of any such use, omits to take reasonable measures to eject said party or parties so using the same, shall be deemed guilty of aiding in the maintenance of a common nuisance.

On motion of Mr. Dunbar,—
Insolvency. *Ordered*, That the committee on Probate and Insolvency consider the expediency of amending section 19 of chapter 157 of the Public Statutes so that the failure to deliver the schedules therein required shall not necessarily operate to defeat the granting of the certificate of discharge.

The following order was read and laid over upon the objection of Mr. Cogswell.

On motion of Mr. Joyner,—

Ordered, That the committee on Railroads be instructed to investigate, after due public notice, the matter of the sale by the Governor and Council of certain New York and New England Railroad Company's second mortgage coupon bonds which belonged to the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, and ascertain as near as can be, all the facts and the reasons for the sale as it took place, together with all the transactions relating to such sale, and to report in print to the present legislature the result of their investigation, and to include in such report such portions of the evidence introduced before them as they may judge to be expedient.

New York &
New England
R. R. Co.,
sale of bonds
of.

Also to report if in their judgment any legislation is expedient in regard to the future sale of securities belonging to the Commonwealth.

And the committee shall have authority in making such investigation to employ a stenographer and to send for persons and papers.

On motion of Mr. Lilley,—

Ordered, That the committee on Rules consider the expediency of amending Rule 59 of the Senate Rules, so as to include within the provisions thereof the bar of the Senate.

Rules of the
Senate.

Subsequently Mr. Lilley from the same committee presented a report thereon recommending the adoption of the following as Rule 59: "Rule 59. No person other than members of the legislative and executive departments of the State Government, past members of the Senate, and members of the press shall be at any time admitted to the Clerk's room, or the room intervening between that and the Senate Chamber, or admitted within the bar of the Senate while the Senate is in session, unless introduced by a Senator in person at the time of such admission;" and the Report being considered under a suspension of the rule, was accepted.

Papers from the House.

The following papers were severally referred in concurrence: —

A petition of Theodore E. Davis for increase of compensation as agent of the State in the prosecution of its war claims;

Theodore E.
Davis.

To the committee on Claims.

Intoxicating
liquors.

A petition of A. F. Corliss and others for legislation relative to preventing the sale of spirituous or malt liquors in the grocery stores of the Commonwealth.

To the committee on the Liquor Law.

Point of Pines
Co.

A petition of the Point of Pines Company for an amendment of its charter.

To the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

Philomena E.
Nolan.

A petition of Philomena E. Nolan of Stoneham for an annuity.

To the committee on Military Affairs.

A petition of the City Missionary Society for an amendment of its charter.

To the committee on Parishes and Religious Societies.

Second District
Court of East-
ern Middlesex.

A petition of the justice of the Second District Court of Eastern Middlesex for an increase of salary.

To the committee on Public Service.

Quincy.

A remonstrance of Elias A. Perkins and others against the annexation of a part of Quincy to the city of Boston.

To the committee on Towns.

The following House Orders were severally adopted in concurrence : —

Benjamin Pond.

Ordered, That the joint committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of the removal of Benjamin Pond, Esquire, by the address of both houses of the legislature, from the office of justice of the municipal court of the East Boston District.

Marriage.

Ordered, That the joint committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of so amending chapter 145 of the Public Statutes as to authorize the court to grant a decree of nullity or validity of marriage, whenever said marriage was solemnized out of this Commonwealth, if the libellant has lived within the Commonwealth five years next preceding the filing of a libel therefor.

Registration.

Ordered, That the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of so amending the Constitution and changing the registration laws as to allow the registration of citizens of this Commonwealth who change their residence after May 1, in any year.

Poll tax.

Ordered, That the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of so amending Article 3 of the Constitution, that any citizen otherwise qualified may vote without the previous payment of any poll or other tax.

Ordered, That the committee on Labor consider the expediency of such legislation as shall provide that no person employed as an engineer in any manufacturing establishment, or in any building, a part of which is used as a manufactory, shall be required or allowed to perform any other labor during the time for which he is engaged for such service.

Engineers in
manufacturing
establishments.

Ordered, That the committee on Printing consider the expediency of printing extra copies of the report of the Commission on Drainage.

Report of Com-
mission on Drain-
age.

Adjourned.

THURSDAY, January 14, 1886.

Met according to adjournment.

Mr. Tappan, from the committee on Prisons, on the resolve to authorize the Prison Commissioners to obtain plans for increasing the number of cells in the State Prison, reported that the same ought to pass, and it was referred to the committee on the Treasury.

State Prison.

Mr. Norris, from the committee on Election Laws, to whom was referred the resolve to amend the Constitution so as to provide for biennial elections (from the files of last year), reported that the same ought to pass, and it was read and ordered to a second reading.

Biennial
elections.

A petition was presented and referred as follows : —

By Mr. Jones of Berkshire, a petition of J. M. Waterman and another for the relief of the town of Williams-town in the matter of bonded indebtedness.

J. M. Water-
man et al.

To the committee on Expenditures.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Orders Adopted.

On motion of Mr. Phillips,—

Ordered, That the committee on the Liquor Law consider the expediency of some legislation to prohibit the unlicensed selling or dispensing of intoxicating liquors by clubs and other similar organizations in cities and towns which have voted to grant licenses for the sale of intoxicating liquors.

Intoxicating
liquors.

On motion of Mr. Tappan,—

Committee on
Prisons.

Ordered, That the committee on Prisons be authorized to visit the prisons, jails and houses of correction at such times as they may deem expedient.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Papers from the House.

The following papers were severally referred in concurrence : —

Liability of
employers.

A bill to extend and regulate the liability of employers to make compensation for personal injuries suffered by employees in their service was read and referred to the joint committee on the Judiciary.

District Police.

The report of the Massachusetts District Police, including the result of the inspection of factories and public buildings ;

To the committee on Labor.

Henry Lemke.

A petition of Henry Lemke of Boston for State aid ;

F. B. Kellogg.

A petition of Fred B. Kellogg for a State allowance ; and

Adjutant-
General.

The annual report of the Adjutant General ;

Severally to the committee on Military Affairs.

Railroad Com-
missioners'
Report.

The Seventeenth Annual Report of the Railroad Commissioners (Part I.) ;

To the committee on Railroads.

Horace B.
Parker et als.

A petition of Horace B. Parker and others for the incorporation of the Newton Street Railway Company ;

To the committee on Street Railways.

Woman
suffrage.

Petitions of

John W. Hutchinson and others ;

C. H. Mason and others ;

William H. Bartlett and others ;

Marie L. Bills and others ;

Clarissa D. White and others ;

Emma L. Oliver and others ;

Mrs. Geo. Clapp and others ;

George F. Hoar, Adin Thayer and others ; and

Mrs. H. K. Parmenter and others, severally for the enactment of a law enabling women to vote in all town and municipal elections ;

Severally to the committee on Woman Suffrage.

The following House orders were severally adopted in concurrence : —

Ordered, That the joint committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of amending the Constitution so as to enable the Governor to disapprove of any item or items in any bill making appropriations, where the same embraces several distinct items, while approving the other items in such bill.

Governor, —
appropriations.

Ordered, That the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of repealing the law prohibiting precinct officers from counting ballots before the closing of the polls.

Ballots, count-
ing of.

Ordered, That the committee on Mercantile Affairs consider the expediency of regulating the charges made by the American Bell Telephone Company for the use of instruments to leasing companies, as also to other subscribers.

American Bell
Telephone Co.

Ordered, That the committee on Mercantile Affairs consider whether any legislation is necessary to place telegraph companies, including railroad signal offices, more fully under State supervision and inspection.

Telegraph
Companies.

Ordered, That the committee on Printing consider the expediency of procuring for the use of the Senate and House 500 copies of a work entitled "Main Drainage Works of the City of Boston," by E. C. Clarke, and issued by the city of Boston.

Boston.

Ordered, That the committee on Public Charitable Institutions have authority to visit the lunatic hospitals and other charitable institutions of the Commonwealth.

Committee on
public chari-
table institu-
tions.

Ordered, That the committee on Public Service consider the expediency of legislation exempting all honorably discharged veterans of the late war from competitive civil service examination.

Soldiers and
sailors.

Ordered, That the committee on Taxation consider the expediency of so amending the laws in reference to sales of real estate for taxes as to provide more effectually for the protection of holders of tax titles of persons whose estates are sold for taxes, and persons claiming under them, and of the city or town whose collector makes such sale.

Sales for taxes.

The order concerning the sale of certain New York and New England Railroad Company's second mortgage coupon bonds, laid over from yesterday, was laid on the table.

New York &
New England
Railroad Com-
pany's second
mortgage
coupon bonds.

Adjourned.

FRIDAY, January 15, 1886.

Met according to adjournment.

Petitions were presented and referred as follows: —

Solicitor-
General.

By Mr. Milliken, a petition of A. L. L. Hatch and others for the appointment of a Solicitor-General;
To the joint committee on the Judiciary.

Tobacco.

By Mr. Joslin, a petition of William Gordon and others for a law to prohibit the selling or giving away of tobacco in any form to a minor;
To the committee on Public Health.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Orders Adopted.

On motion of Mr. Howard, —

State election.

Ordered, That the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of such legislation as will provide that the day of the State election shall be a legal holiday.

On motion of Mr. Morse, —

Woman
suffrage.

Ordered, That the committee on Woman Suffrage consider the expediency of the enactment of a law to allow women to vote on the question of granting licenses to sell intoxicating liquors.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Papers from the House.

The following papers were severally referred in concurrence: —

Solicitor-
General.

Petitions of
Howard Stockton and others;
Carter, Rice & Co. and others;
Morton Dexter and others;
Richard C. Humphreys and others;
George C. Shattuck and others;
George S. Hale and others;
Russell Bradford and others;
William Coveny and others;
H. P. Kidder and others;
Jonathan A. Lane and others;
Curtis Guild and others, severally for the appointment of a Solicitor-General.
To the joint committee on the Judiciary.

A communication from the Secretary of the Commonwealth recommending certain changes in the laws concerning changes of wards in cities, and voting precincts of cities and towns; also concerning the votes cast for representatives and the transmission of copies of printed ballots used at State elections;

Cities and towns.

To the committee on Election Laws.

A petition of George D. Chamberlain and others for legislation to prevent the employment of minors and women in mercantile establishments for more than ten hours in any one day;

Hours of labor for minors and women.

To the committee on Labor.

A petition of M. S. Ayer, that the name of the Working Union of Progressive Spiritualists be changed to that of Spiritual Fraternity;

M. S. Ayer.

To the committee on Parishes and Religious Societies.

A petition of the first assistant clerk of the Superior Court of Suffolk County for an increase of salary;

Superior Court.

To the committee on Public Service.

A petition of James D. Lincoln and others for the incorporation of the Plainville Water Company, to supply the town of Waltham with water;

James D. Lincoln et al.

To the committee on Water Supply.

Petitions of

Lucia T. Ames and others;

Mrs. J. M. Longstreet and others;

Harriet A. Rogers and others;

Aasta Hansteen and others;

Lucy M. Allen and others;

Harriet M. Leonard and others;

M. A. G. Otis and others; and

Cynthia P. Homer and others, severally for the enactment of a law enabling women to vote in all town and municipal elections;

Woman suffrage.

To the committee on Woman Suffrage.

The following House Orders were severally adopted in concurrence:—

Ordered, That the committee on Banks and Banking consider the expediency of legislation providing that savings banks shall not carry on their business in buildings occupied by national banks, and that officers of savings banks shall be in no way connected with the business of national banks.

Savings banks.

- Savings banks.** *Ordered,* That the committee on Banks and Banking consider the expediency of legislation in relation to investments by savings banks.
- Committee on education.** *Ordered,* That the committee on Education have authority to visit the State Normal Schools at such times as they may deem expedient.
- State Aid.** *Ordered,* That the committee on Military Affairs consider the expediency of extending the State aid laws to the one-hundred-day troops of 1864.
- Railroads.** *Ordered,* That the committee on Railroads consider the expediency of legislation compelling all steam railroads within the Commonwealth to block all frogs and angles contained in the tracks in the passenger and freight stations and within a distance of 100 yards outside any such station.
- Street Railways.** *Ordered,* That the committee on Street Railways consider the expediency of having transfer checks issued by street railways in the several cities on their own lines for continuous passage at the regular fare, and amending chapter 113 of the Public Statutes.
- Soldiers and sailors.** *Ordered,* That the committee on Taxation consider the expediency of legislation exempting from taxation a portion of the real estate owned by soldiers and sailors.
- Registered female voters.** *Ordered,* That the Secretary of the Commonwealth be required to collect and report to the present legislature the number of registered female voters for school committee for the years 1881 to 1885, inclusive; also the number who have exercised the privilege.
- Intoxicating Liquors.** *Ordered,* That the Secretary of the Commonwealth be requested to forward a statement, in print, showing the result of the returns made under section 5 of chapter 100 of the Public Statutes, relating to the vote upon granting licenses for the sale of intoxicating liquors in the several cities and towns, together with a statement of the number of licenses of each class issued, and the amount received for the same by classes, and the number revoked.
- Bennington and Gettysburg Monuments.** A report of the committee on Federal Relations, to whom was referred so much of the Governor's address as relates to the Bennington and Gettysburg monuments, asking to be discharged from the further consideration thereof and that the same be referred to the committee on Finance of the House was considered, and the Senate

concurred in so much thereof as discharges the committee, and the report was returned to the House.

The Orders of the Day were taken up and the

Resolve to amend the Constitution so as to provide for biennial elections was read a second time and recommitted to the committee on Election Laws, with instructions to hear the remonstrants after due notice.

Biennial Elections.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Adjourned.

MONDAY, January 18, 1886.

Met according to adjournment.

Mr. Morrill, from the committee on the Treasury, to whom was referred the resolve to authorize the Prison Commissioners to obtain plans for increasing the number of cells in the State Prison reported that the same ought to pass, and it was ordered to a second reading.

State prison.

On motion of Mr. Milliken, the Bill relative to the payment of operatives by manufacturing corporations at intervals not exceeding fourteen days, was taken from the files of last year and referred to the committee on Labor.

Wages, payment of.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Petitions were presented and referred as follows:—

By Mr. Morse, a petition of George W. Saunders and others, of Canton, for a law to prohibit the selling or giving away of tobacco in any form to a minor;

Tobacco.

To the committee on Public Health.

By Mr. Lilley, a petition of D. S. Richardson and others, that the salaries of the standing justice and clerk of the Police Court of Lowell may be increased;

Police Court, Lowell.

To the committee on Public Service.

By Mr. Lilley, a petition of the Chicopee Water Company for an amendment of its charter;

Chicopee Water Co.

To the committee on Water Supply.

By Mr. Morse, a petition of the Massachusetts Women's Christian Temperance Union, that women be allowed to

Intoxicating Liquors.

vote in cities and towns on the question, Shall licenses be granted for the sale of intoxicating liquors ;

To the committee on Woman Suffrage.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Orders Adopted.

On motion of Mr. Lilley, —

Superior and
supreme
judicial courts.

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of repealing chapter 384 of the Acts of 1885, so far as the same applies to counties other than Suffolk.

On motion of Mr. Lilley, —

Liens.

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of repealing section 3 of chapter 191 of the Public Statutes, in relation to liens on building materials.

On motion of Mr. Napphen, —

Public chari-
table and
reformatory
institutions.

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of amending section 8 of chapter 222 of the Public Statutes, relative to allowing prisoners the “ free exercise of religious belief,” so that it shall not be lawful to oblige the inmate of a prison or other place of confinement, or of a public charitable or reformatory institution, to attend any religious service not conducted by a clergyman of the denomination to which such inmate may belong.

On motion of Mr. Napphen, —

Stealing from
vehicles, etc.

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of amending section 16 of chapter 203 of the Public Statutes, relative to stealing in a building, so that it shall include stealing from an express wagon, dray cab, and other vehicles ; also, to amend section 53 of said chapter, relative to unlawfully taking or using of animals, boats and vehicles, so that the offender shall be deemed guilty of simple larceny.

On motion of Mr. Douglas, —

Rates of
interest.

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of legislation to prevent extortion in rates of interest for small mortgage loans on furniture and other articles of domestic use, when such property remains in the possession of the mortgagor.

On motion of Mr. Jones of Essex, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of such legislation as will enable labor organizations to become incorporated. Labor organizations.

Papers from the House.

A bill making appropriations for the erection of monuments on the battlefield at Gettysburg (on so much of the Governor's Address as relates to the subject), was read and referred to the committee on the Treasury. Gettysburg Battlefield.

The following papers were severally referred in concurrence : —

A petition of the Suffolk Savings Bank for Seamen for authority to hold more real estate ; Suffolk Savings Bank.

To the committee on Banks and Banking.

A remonstrance of P. C. Bacon, W. W. Rice, George F. Hoar, Adin Thayer and others, against the passage of the so-called biennial amendments, and asking for a hearing ; Biennial elections and sessions.

To the committee on Election Laws.

The Twentieth Annual Report of the Commissioners on Inland Fisheries ; Inland Fisheries.

To the committee on Fisheries and Game.

A petition of the Boylston Mutual Insurance Company of Boston for a change of name ; Boylston Mutual Insurance Co.

To the committee on Insurance.

A petition of Mark Pickering for a renewal of an annuity granted to him in the year 1879 ; Mark Pickering.

To the committee on Military Affairs.

A petition of Lyman Clark to establish the name and legalize the organization and proceedings of the First Unitarian Parish of Ayer ; Lyman Clark.

To the committee on Parishes and Religious Societies.

A petition of S. S. Green and others, librarians of city libraries, for legislation relative to the distribution of legislative and other documents ; S. S. Green et al.

To the committee on Printing.

A petition of Henry P. Kennedy and Charles P. Johnson, constables of the Brighton and West Roxbury District Courts, for an increase of salary ; and Clerks of courts.

A petition of N. Thomas Merritt, clerk of the Municipal Court of the Dorchester District of the City of Boston, for increase of salary ;

Severally to the committee on Public Service.

New Bedford,
Vineyard &
Nantucket
Steamboat Co.
et als.

A petition of the New Bedford, Vineyard & Nantucket Steamboat Co., and the Nantucket & Cape Cod Steamboat Co., for an act authorizing the consolidation of said corporations ;

To the committee on Railroads.

Cambridge.

A petition of the mayor of the city of Cambridge for legislation empowering the board of aldermen to issue licenses to conductors, drivers and despatchers of street railway cars in said city ;

To the committee on Street Railways.

Ibid.

A petition of the mayor of the city of Cambridge for additional legislation to preserve the purity of the waters of Fresh Pond in said city ;

To the committee on Water Supply.

Woman
Suffrage.

A petition of Evelina A. S. Smith and others for the enactment of a law enabling women to vote in all town and municipal elections ;

To the committee on Woman Suffrage.

The following House Orders were severally adopted in concurrence : —

Baskets and
Boxes.

Ordered, That the committee on Mercantile Affairs consider the expediency of establishing a law to regulate the size of baskets and boxes in which berries are sold.

New Bedford
jail.

Ordered, That the committee on Prisons consider the expediency of repealing so much of section 1, chapter 212, of the Acts and Resolves of 1885 as relates to the building of any portion of the one hundred cells in the New Bedford jail, known as the new prison, and report a bill authorizing the building of the one hundred cells or more, as required in that part of the jail known as the old prison.

Adjourned.

TUESDAY, January 19, 1886.

Met according to adjournment.

Petitions were presented and referred as follows :—

By Mr. Joyner, a petition of Anne Deighen Burgess Anne D. Burgess
for the payment of money deposited in the State Treasury
on account of the estate of Mary A. Marshall by a public
administrator;

To the committee on Claims.

By Mr. Joyner, a petition of E. D. Brainerd and others Berkshire Heights Land Co.
for an act of incorporation as the Berkshire Heights Land
Company;

To the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

By Mr. Joyner, a petition of Isadora F. Lincoln for Isadora F. Lincoln.
additional State aid for herself and son;

To the committee on Military Affairs.

By Mr. Boynton, a remonstrance of Samuel C. Law- Medford.
rence and 275 others, citizens of Medford, against the
petition of Henry Hastings and others for a division of
the town of Medford and the incorporation of a new
town;

To the committee on Towns.

By Mr. Joyner, a petition of E. D. Brainerd and others Berkshire Heights Water Co.
for an act of incorporation as the Berkshire Heights Water
Company;

To the committee on Water Supply.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

By Mr. Joyner, a petition of Henry W. Holland and Henry W. Hol-
land et al.
others for an amendment of chapter 98 of the Public
Statutes relating to the observance of the Lord's Day;

To the committee on the Judiciary.

Orders Adopted.

On motion of Mr. Cogswell, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider Sheriffs, bonds
of.
the expediency of so amending the law that bonds of sher-
iffs shall be approved by the Treasurer and Receiver-Gen-
eral, or some other official, rather than by judges of the
Superior Court.

On motion of Mr. Gleason, —

Committee on
Agriculture.

Ordered, That the committee on Agriculture be authorized to visit the Agricultural College Experimental Station at Amherst in the discharge of their duties.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Papers from the House.

Appropriations.

A bill making appropriations for the compensation and mileage of the members of the legislature, for the compensation of officers thereof, and for expenses in connection therewith, was read and referred to the committee on the Treasury.

The following papers were severally referred in concurrence : —

Solicitor-General.

Petitions of
George Wigglesworth and others ;
O. W. Peabody and others ;
Amos A. Lawrence and others ;
F. Courtney and others ;
Edmund Dwight and others ;
George Coe and others ;
Severally, for the appointment of a Solicitor General ;
To the joint committee on the Judiciary

Cyrus Story et
als.

A petition of Cyrus Story and others for the establishment of another savings bank in the city of Gloucester ;
To the committee on Banks and Banking.

Hanson.

A petition of the school committee of the town of Hanson, that there may be paid to said town the amount of the income of the Massachusetts School Fund withheld for an alleged non-compliance with the law ;
To the committee on Education.

I. N. Lewis et
als.

A petition of I. N. Lewis and others for an act prohibiting the setting of pounds, traps or nets in the waters adjoining the north shores of Buzzard's Bay ;
To the committee on Fisheries and Game.

Blair Tourograph, etc.

A petition of the Blair Tourograph and Dry Plate Company for a change of its corporate name ; and

South Boston
Gas Light Co.

A petition of Benjamin Dean, President of South Boston Gas Light Company for amendment of company's charter, increase of its capital stock, and a right to acquire, by

purchase or lease, the plant, works and franchise of other gas companies in Boston, if terms can be agreed upon ;

Severally to the committee on Manufactures.

A petition of Samuel Langmaid for compensation for services rendered the State in 1861 ; Samuel Langmaid.

A petition of Thomas Riley of Boston for State aid ; and Thomas Riley.

A petition of Rebekah G. Dyer for State aid ; R. G. Dyer.

To the committee on Military Affairs.

Petitions of

George W. Gardner and others ;

Tobacco.

George Dickinson and others ; and

Jeremiah Fiske and others, for the enactment of a law prohibiting the selling or giving away of tobacco in any form to a minor ;

Severally to the committee on Public Health.

Petitions of

H. W. Bradish and others ;

Woman
Suffrage.

Georgiana T. L. Luther and others ; and

Myra H. Gill, severally for the enactment of a law enabling women to vote in all town and municipal elections ;

Severally to the committee on Woman Suffrage.

The following House Orders were severally adopted in concurrence : —

Ordered, That the committee on Banks and Banking consider the expediency of requiring savings banks to change their treasurer once in five years. Savings Banks.

Ordered, That the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of legislation permitting the opening of polling places at State and municipal elections in the city of Boston at an earlier hour than is now prescribed by law. Boston.

Ordered, That the committee on Fisheries and Game consider the expediency of so amending the present game laws as to prohibit the pursuing of wild sea-fowl by gunners in steamboats and sail-boats. Sea-fowl.

Ordered, That the committee on Public Service inquire into the adequacy of the salary now paid to the Secretary of the Commonwealth, and whether any legislation is necessary or desirable relating thereto. Secretary of the
Commonwealth.

State House. *Ordered*, That the committee on State House consider the expediency of enlarging the reporters' gallery in the House of Representatives, to provide better accommodations for the representatives of the press.

Corporations. *Ordered*, That the committee on Taxation consider the expediency of so amending chapter 13 of the Public Statutes, relating to the taxation of corporations, as to provide a discriminating basis of taxation, under which such companies, co-partnerships and associations, engaged in industrial and manufacturing operations, as shall pay over to their employees a distributive proportion of their net profits shall be taxed proportionately less than other companies, corporations and associations not distributing among their employees any share of their net profits.

State Prison. The Orders of the Day were taken up and the Resolve to authorize the Prison Commissioners to obtain plans for increasing the number of cells in the State Prison was read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, January 20, 1886.

Met according to adjournment.

Petitions were presented and referred as follows :—

Lynn. By Mr. Jones of Essex, a petition of the Mayor of Lynn, that said city may be authorized to make a new division of its wards during the year 1886 ;

To the committee on Cities.

Tobacco. By Mr. Gunn, a petition of W. B. Washburn and others, for the enactment of a law prohibiting the selling or giving away of tobacco in any form to a minor ;

To the committee on Public Health.

Municipal Court, Dorchester. By Mr. Milliken, a petition of Alvin I. Phillips, constable of the Municipal Court of the Dorchester District of the city of Boston, for an increase of salary ;

To the committee on Public Service.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

By Mr. Cogswell, a petition of Thomas F. Nutter, that certain household furniture may be exempt from attachment ;

Thomas F. Nutter.

To the committee on the Judiciary.

Orders Adopted.

On motion of Mr. Cogswell,—

Ordered, That the joint committee on the Judiciary be authorized to employ from time to time the services of a stenographer.

Joint committee on the Judiciary

On motion of Mr. Jefts,—

Ordered, That the committee on Banks and Banking consider the expediency of amending the law respecting the investments made by co-operative banks, so as to allow said institutions to invest their funds at five per cent. per annum.

Co-operative Banks.

On motion of Mr. Gleason,—

Ordered, That the committee on Banks and Banking consider the expediency of authorizing savings banks to elect their trustees in classes, as insurance companies are now authorized to do, according to chapter 74 of the Acts of 1884.

Savings Banks.

On motion of Mr. Dunbar,—

Ordered, That the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of such legislation as will require city clerks to make a return to the Secretary of the Commonwealth whenever a change is made in the wards of a city, giving number of wards and the population and legal voters in each ; also giving designation of voting precincts and number of votes in each whenever a change is made therein.

Election Laws.

Also to require city and town clerks to make returns of votes cast for representatives to the said Secretary, who shall cause the same to be bound together and kept for reference.

Also to require the clerk of each city and town to transmit to said Secretary, copies of all printed ballots used at elections for State officers.

On motion of Mr. Norris,—

Ordered, That the committee on Railroads be authorized to visit such places as they may deem expedient in the discharge of their duties.

Committee on Railroads.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Supreme Judicial and Superior Courts, referees.

On motion of Mr. Forbes,—

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of providing that the fees of referees appointed in cases pending in the Supreme Judicial Court and the Superior Court, shall be paid by the counties in which they are appointed.

Papers from the House.

Appropriations.

A bill making appropriations for the maintenance of the government for the present year, was read and referred to the committee on the Treasury.

The following papers were severally referred in concurrence :—

Chelsea.

A petition of the mayor of the city of Chelsea, in behalf of said city, that it may be authorized to lay out and maintain one or more public parks within its limits ;

To the committee on Cities.

Samuel Osborn, Jr.

A petition of Samuel Osborn, Jr., and others, for a law prohibiting the taking of fish of any kind by means of seines or nets from the waters surrounding Martha's Vineyard and Chappaquiddick ;

To the committee on Fisheries and Game.

Arbitration.

A bill to provide for the establishment of voluntary arbitration for the equitable settlement of controversies respecting labor ;

To the committee on Labor.

Intoxicating Liquors.

A petition of B. B. Johnson and others, for an amendment to section 12, chapter 100, Public Statutes, so as to restrict the exercise of certain licenses to one room ;

To the committee on the Liquor Law.

The first annual report of the Board of Registration in Pharmacy ;

To the committee on Public Health.

Petitions of

Woman Suffrage.

Julia A. R. Barrett and others ;

Laura F. Cheney and others ;

S. Amelia Newell and others ;

Mrs. M. J. Whitney and others ;

Mrs. A. J. Snow and others ;

Phebe R. Clifford and others ;

Hannah H. Paddock and others ;

Mrs. N. W. L. Walton and others ; and
Hannah Wild and others, severally for the enactment
of a law enabling women to vote in all town and municipal
elections ;

To the committee on Woman Suffrage.

The following House Orders were severally adopted in
concurrence :—

Ordered, That the committee on Agriculture consider Agricultural
College.
the expediency of setting off a portion of land now owned
by the Agricultural College at Amherst to the State Ex-
periment Station for its exclusive use and control, with a
legal title thereto.

Ordered, That the committee on Banks and Banking Savings Banks.
consider the expediency of so amending the laws relative
to savings banks and institutions for savings as to allow a
wider field for investment.

Ordered, That the committee on Election Laws consider Naturalization.
the expediency of so amending section 1 of chapter 345
of the Acts of the year 1885, relating to naturalization,
as to give police, district and municipal courts in the sev-
eral counties jurisdiction in all cases of naturalization, in
all towns in said counties that are not included within the
district of any said courts.

Ordered, That the committee on Election Laws consider Polls on Election
Days.
the expediency of legislation so establishing the hour of
opening and closing the polls on all election days that
working men will not be obliged to lose any time or be in-
terfered with by their employers.

Ordered, That the committee on Fisheries and Game Blue-fish.
consider the expediency of prohibiting the taking of blue-
fish with nets or seines within the State waters of Buzzard's
Bay.

Ordered, That the committee on Military Affairs con- Soldiers and
Sailors.
sider the expediency of such legislation as shall allow any
honorably discharged soldier or sailor who served in the
late rebellion to peddle goods without filing a certificate
of disability.

Ordered, That the committee on Public Health consider Deceased per-
sons.
the expediency of legislation concerning the transportation
of bodies of deceased persons.

General Court.

Ordered, That the joint committee on Rules consider the expediency of legislation providing additional clerical assistance for the two branches of the General Court.

State Prison.

The Orders of the Day were taken up, and the Senate resolve to authorize the Prison Commissioners to obtain plans for increasing the number of cells in the State Prison, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Adjourned.

THURSDAY, January 21, 1886.

Met according to adjournment.

Municipal
Court, East
Boston.

Mr. Cogswell, from the joint committee on the Judiciary, to whom was referred the Bill to abolish the Municipal Court of the East Boston District, and to establish the East Boston District Court, reported that the same ought to pass, and it was ordered to a second reading.

Treasurer and
Receiver-Gen-
eral.

Mr. Morrill, from the committee on Expenditures, on the order relative to the examination into the condition of the securities in the hands of the Treasurer and Receiver-General, and to witness the transfer of the same to the Treasurer and Receiver-General elect, reported that they had attended to the duties assigned to them, and beg leave to report that they find the condition of the securities satisfactory and to correspond with the schedules thereof, and that they witnessed the transfer of the same to the Treasurer and Receiver-General elect; and the report was accepted, under a suspension of the rule, and sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Middlesex
County.

Mr. Lilley, on leave, introduced a bill authorizing the county commissioners of Middlesex County to cause to be made copies of certain records and plans in the registry of deeds for the Southern District; and the same was read and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Municipal
Court, South
Boston.

Mr. Napen presented a petition of John Rogers and other constables of the municipal court of the South Boston District, for an increase of salaries.

Referred to the committee on Public Service.

Sent down for concurrence.

Sent up concurred.

Order Adopted.

On motion of Mr. Lilley, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of providing that in each municipal, police, and district court districts there shall be appointed one or more special justices to receive complaints and issue warrants in criminal cases to be returned into the court of such district, and that all complaints received and warrants issued by a trial justice shall be made returnable to some other trial justice, to the end that a justice who receives a complaint in criminal cases shall not preside at the trial thereon. Warrants in criminal cases.

Papers from the House.

The following papers were severally referred in concurrence : —

A petition of the selectmen of Ashland asking that said town may be reimbursed for a part of the State and county tax paid for the years 1877 to 1882 inclusive ; Ashland.

A petition of J. F. Baldwin, patentee of Steam Ironing Machine, for compensation for the use of one of said machines at the State Almshouse at Tewksbury ; J. F. Baldwin.

To the committee on Claims.

The forty-ninth annual report of the Board of Education ; Board of Education.

To the committee on Education.

A remonstrance of John F. Wonson & Co. and others against any change in the harbor line of the city of Gloucester ; Gloucester.

To the committee on Harbors and Public Lands.

A communication from the Secretary of the Commonwealth transmitting the abstracts of returns received from the several cities and towns showing the number of licenses issued for the sale of intoxicating liquors, etc., under the provisions of section 5, chapter 100 of the Public Statutes ; Intoxicating Liquors.

To the committee on the Liquor Law.

A petition of G. M. Green and others for an act to incorporate the Milford Electric Light and Power Company ; G. M. Green et al.

To the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

A petition of Sarah Clarke of Boston for State aid ; Sarah Clark.

To the committee on Military Affairs.

Francis J.
Dewson.

A petition of Francis J. Dewson, President Mass. New Church Union, to amend its charter so as to enable it to hold real and personal estate thereunder to the amount of two hundred and fifty thousand dollars ;

To the committee on Parishes and Religious Affairs.

Tobacco.

A petition of E. S. Merrill and 74 others for a law to prohibit the selling or giving away of tobacco in any form to minors ;

To the committee on Public Health.

Wakefield
Water Co.

A petition of the Wakefield Water Company for authority to issue bonds and mortgage its franchise and other property ;

To the committee on Water Supply.

Woman
suffrage.

Petitions of

Eliza Forsyth and others ;

John F. Ashley and others ;

Milley Estes and others ;

Josephine P. Holland and others ;

Augusta T. Lincoln and others ;

Georgiana V. Robinson and others ;

Anna C. Lee and others ;

Joanna E. Mills and others ;

Sallie G. Wilbur and others ;

Mrs. C. L. F. Cooper and others ;

Marianna E. Clark and others ;

Sarah Packard and others ;

Mrs. C. A. Noble and others ;

S. R. Urbino and others ; and

Mrs. Wilard Cox and others, severally for the enactment of a law enabling women to vote in all town and municipal elections ;

Severally to the committee on Woman Suffrage.

The following House orders were severally adopted in concurrence :—

Election Laws.

Ordered, That the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of repealing section 7 of chapter 345 of the Acts of the year 1885 relating to registration of naturalized citizens as voters.

Manufacturing
corporations,
et als.

Ordered, That the committee on Labor consider the expediency of compelling manufacturing corporations and manufacturers to connect every room in which their em-

ployees are at work upon machinery, the motive power of which is furnished by steam, with the room in which the engine is situated, by means of speaking-tubes or an electric alarm, in order that the engineer may be easily communicated with in case of accident.

Ordered, That the committee on Manufactures consider the expediency of amending section 14 of chapter 61 of the Public Statutes relating to the inspection of gas and gas meters, so as to permit the manufacture of water gas. Water Gas.

Ordered, That the committee on Printing consider the advisability of reprinting the Adjutant General's Reports for the years 1861 to 1865 inclusive, the same to be sold at cost. Adjutant-General's Report.

Adjourned.

FRIDAY, January 22, 1886.

Met according to adjournment.

Mr. Douglas from the committee on the Treasury, on the

Bill making appropriations for the maintenance of the government for the present year; and Appropriations.

Mr. Morrill, from the same committee, on the Bills

Making appropriations for the compensation and mileage of the members of the legislature, for the compensation of officers thereof, and for expenses in connection therewith; and

Making appropriations for the erection of monuments on the Battlefield at Gettysburg, reported that these bills ought to pass, and they were severally ordered to a second reading.

Mr. Lilley, on leave, introduced a resolve in favor of Patrick Corr. Patrick Corr, and the same was read and referred to the committee on Military Affairs.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Mr. Locke presented a petition of Walter Buck and others of Andover, in aid of the petition of Philip T. Nickerson Philip T. Nickerson.

and others, for incorporation as the Andover Water Company ;

Referred to the committee on Water Supply.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

On motion of Mr. Lilley, —

Savings Banks.

Ordered, That the committee on Banks and Banking consider the expediency of so amending the 8th clause of section 20 of chapter 116 of the Public Statutes, as amended by chapter 200 of the Acts of the year 1882, and chapter 52 of the Acts of the year 1873, so as to extend the time within which savings banks and insitutions for savings may sell certain real estate held by them.

On motion of Mr. Scott, —

Ordered, That the committee on Water Supply be authorized to visit such places as they may deem necessary in the discharge of their duties.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Orders Adopted.

On motion of Mr. Alger, —

Appraisers.

Ordered, That the committee on Probate and Insolvency consider the expediency of amending section 15 of chapter 199 of the Public Statutes, by providing that appraisers of estates of deceased persons and persons appointed under legal process for assigning dower or homestead, or making partition of real estate, shall have such compensation for their services as the courts appointing such officers may deem just and reasonable.

Papers from the House.

Appropriations.

A bill making appropriations for the maintenance of the judicial departments of the government during the present year, was read and referred to the committee on the Treasury.

The following papers were severally referred in concurrence : —

Hoosac Tunnel.

The eleventh annual report of the manager of the Hoosac Tunnel and Troy and Greenfield Railroad ;

To the committee on the Hoosac Tunnel and Troy and Greenfield Railroad.

A petition of Julia Carroll for State aid ;
To the committee on Military Affairs.

A petition of Edgar A. Hayward and others, asking that State aid may be established for the blind, similar to that now in operation for disabled soldiers ;
To the committee on Public Charitable Institutions.

Edgar A.
Hayward et als.

Petitions of
Pleasant Hunter, Jr. and 98 others ;
G. T. Fletcher and others ; and
John C. Worcester and others, severally for legislation prohibiting the selling or giving away tobacco in any form to a minor, under suitable penalties ;
Severally to the committee on Public Health.

Tobacco.

A petition of William N. Tyler, clerk of the First District Court of Eastern Middlesex, for an increase of salary ;
To the committee on Public Service.

Wm. N. Tyler.

A remonstrance of Nathaniel P. Perkins and others against the division of the town of Wenham ; and

Wenham.

A remonstrance of William Endicott, A. N. Clark, Francis Norwood and nine hundred and twenty-two others, legal voters of the town of Beverly, against the division of the town of Beverly and the incorporation of a new town to be called Beverly Farms ;
Severally to the committee on Towns.

Beverly Farms.

The following House order was adopted in concurrence : —

Ordered, That the committee on Railroads consider what legislation is necessary for the better protection against accidents of employees on freight trains.

Committee on
Railroads.

The Orders of the Day were taken up ; and the Bill to abolish the Municipal Court of the East Boston District, and to establish the East Boston District Court, was read twice under a suspension of the rule and passed to be engrossed.

East Boston
Municipal
Court.

Sent down for concurrence.

Adjourned.

MONDAY, January 25, 1886.

Met according to adjournment.

Legal Voters.

The President laid before the Senate a communication from the Secretary of the Commonwealth, transmitting, as required by section 7 of chapter 3, of the Public Statutes, a list of the legal voters in Massachusetts, as shown by the decennial census of 1885; and the same was laid upon the table and ordered to be printed.

Petitions were presented and referred as follows:—

Blue-fish and bass.

By Mr. Norris, a petition of the selectmen of Cottage City for the prohibition of the taking of blue-fish or bass by seines, mesh-nets or gill-nets in the waters of Martha's Vineyard and the adjacent islands of Chappaquiddic and Muskeget;

To the committee on Fisheries and Game.

Soldiers' Home.

By Mr. Cogswell, a petition of the trustees of the Soldiers' Home for an amendment of the charter of said institution;

Ibid.

By Mr. Walker, a petition of the same for an appropriation towards the maintenance of the home during the current fiscal year;

Severally to the committee on Military Affairs.

Albert Hill et als.

By Mr. Morse, a petition of Albert Hill and others for an act of incorporation as the Congregational Church of West Medway, and the dissolution of the corporation known as the West Parish in Medway;

To the committee on Parishes and Religious Societies.

State Board of Health.

By Mr. Harlow, petitions of Samuel Winslow and others;

E. U. Jones and others;

John M. Raymond and others; and

Albert Ayer and others, for the establishment of an independent State Board of Health;

Severally to the committee on Public Health.

Beverly Farms.

By Mr. Norris, a petition of Willis A. Pride and others, in aid of that of Nathaniel P. Allen and others for a division of the town of Beverly and the incorporation of a new town, to be called Beverly Farms;

Medford.

By Mr. Boynton, a remonstrance of the citizens of Medford against the petition of Henry Hastings and

others, together with certain resolutions passed at a public meeting in said town, against a division of the town of Medford;

Severally referred to the committee on Towns.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Orders Adopted.

On motion of Mr. Boynton, —

Ordered, That the committee on Banks and Banking Savings Banks. consider the expediency of amending the laws so as to reduce the amount that an individual can deposit in any savings bank and draw interest therefor.

On motion of Mr. Gould, —

Ordered, That the committee on Election Laws con- Ballot Boxes. sider the expediency of permitting such alteration in the ballot boxes provided by the Commonwealth, under the provisions of chapter 299 of the Acts of the year 1884, as to prevent, as far as possible, errors in the registration of ballots cast.

On motion of Mr. Lilley, —

Ordered, That the committee on Public Service con- Officers, clerks, etc. sider the expediency of legislation relative to a revision of the laws regarding the compensation of all officers, clerks and employees of the Commonwealth and of the several counties thereof.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

On motion of Mr. Lilley, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider Superior Court. the expediency of so amending section 17 of chapter 152 of the Public Statutes as to provide for an additional term of the Superior Court in the county of Middlesex, for criminal business, to be held at Lowell.

On motion of Mr. Dunbar, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider Complaints and warrants issued. the expediency of such legislation as will permit complaints to be made and warrants issued in any county, regardless of the county in which the offence for which the same is issued, was committed.

Papers from the House.

The following papers were severally referred in concurrence : —

- Solicitor-General.** Petitions of
 J. W. Field and others ;
 Samuel Atherton and others ;
 A. S. Twombly and others ;
 George L. Burt and others ;
 Robert E. Cherrington and others ;
 Samuel Capen and others ;
 Ellis Houghton and others ;
 Edward N. Packard and others ;
 George Henry Quincy and others ; and
 George M. Read and others, severally for the appointment of a Solicitor-General.
- Matthew Barney et als.** A petition of Matthew Barney and others, asking that the Island of Muskeget and Gravelly Islands be restored to the county of Nantucket ;
 Severally to the joint committee on the Judiciary.
- Isaac H. Folger et als.** A petition of Isaac H. Folger and others for an act to prohibit the shooting of wild fowl from boats in the harbors and great ponds of Nantucket and the waters in and around Tuckernuck, Muskeget and Gravelly Islands ;
 To the committee on Fisheries and Game.
- Mass. Baptist Convention.** A petition of the Massachusetts Baptist Convention for authority to hold additional real and personal estate ;
 To the committee on Parishes and Religious Societies.
- State aid for the Blind.** A petition of James M. Farnum and others, that State aid may be established for the blind, similar to that now in operation for disabled soldiers ;
 To the committee on Public Charitable Institutions.
- Tobacco.** Petitions of
 N. M. Leavitt and others ;
 Wellington Smith and others ;
 Sylvester Dresser and others ;
 Otis Pettee and others ; and
 Henry I. Bowditch and others, severally for legislation prohibiting the selling or giving away of tobacco in any form to a minor.
 Severally to the committee on Public Health.

A petition of the committee of the town of West Brookfield for legislation allowing said town to appropriate money, to be used in rebuilding one or two factories destroyed by fire in said town; and

A remonstrance of Charles F. Clafin and 359 others, legal voters of Milford, against any division of the town;

Severally to the committee on towns.

Petitions of

Elizabeth S. Chadbourne and others;

Mary C. Ames and others;

Elizabeth B. Battles and others;

George A. Marden and others;

Jesse H. Jones and others; and

Mary W. Davis and others, severally for the enactment of a law enabling women to vote in all town and municipal elections;

Severally to the committee on Woman Suffrage.

West Brook-
field.

Woman
Suffrage.

The following House Orders were severally adopted in concurrence:—

Ordered, That the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of providing greater safeguards in the casting and counting of ballots on the question of granting licenses for the sale of intoxicating liquors.

Ordered, That the committee on Mercantile Affairs consider the expediency of legislation concerning the laying of wires or lines for electrical purposes and communications underground.

Ordered, That the committee on Public Service consider the expediency of increasing the compensation of the county commissioners of Plymouth County.

Ordered, That the committee on Street Railways consider the expediency of so amending the laws that street railways may be operated by electric as well as by animal power, and that railway companies operating by electricity shall have the incidental right to furnish electric power for lighting, operation of machinery and other purposes.

The following order was laid over, under the objection of Mr. Cogswell:—

Ordered, That the committee on Cities consider the expediency of legislation relative to the election of school

Boston School
Committee.

committee in the city of Boston, so as to provide for their election by districts.

The Orders of the Day were taken up, and the Bills

Appropriations. Making appropriations for the maintenance of the government for the present year ;

Making appropriations for the compensation and mileage of the members of the legislature, for the compensation of officers thereof, and for expenses in connection therewith ;

Making appropriations for the erection of monuments on the Battlefield at Gettysburg, were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Adjourned.

TUESDAY, January 26, 1886.

Met according to adjournment.

Mr. Dunbar, from the committee on the Judiciary, on the order in relation to the subject, reported a

Fire Departments.

Bill in amendment of section 29, of chapter 35, of the Public Statutes, so as to give selectmen of towns the power to remove engineers of fire departments, and the same was read and ordered to a second reading.

Middlesex County.

Mr. Lilley, from the committee on the Judiciary, on the Bill authorizing the county commissioners of Middlesex County to cause to be made copies of certain records and plans in the registry of deeds for the southern district ; and

Mr. Walker, from the committee on the Treasury, on the House

Appropriations.

Bill making appropriations for the maintenance of the judicial departments of the government during the present year, severally reported that the bills ought to pass, and they were ordered to a second reading.

George G. Spear, Jr.

Mr. Alger, from the committee on Public Service, on the petition of George G. Spear, Jr., for the establishment of the salary of the Third Clerk in the Department of the Secretary of the Commonwealth, reported that the petitioner have leave to withdraw, and the report was read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow.

Mr. Lilley, from the committee on the Judiciary, on the List of Pardons. message of the Governor transmitting a list of pardons granted in the year 1885, reported asking to be discharged from the further consideration thereof, and recommending that the same be referred to the committee on Prisons, and the report was accepted, and so much thereof as refers the message to the committee on Prisons

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Mr. Gove, on leave, introduced a bill concerning the Boston Harbor Master. Harbor Master for the port of Boston, and the same was read and referred to the committee on Harbors and Public Lands.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Mr. Murphy, on leave, introduced a bill in regard to Taxation. the assessment and apportionment of poll and other taxes, and the same was read and referred to the committee on Taxation.

Sent down for concurrence.

Petitions were presented and referred as follows : —

By Mr. Norris, a petition of J. Francis Cooper and Tobacco. others for a law to prohibit the selling or giving away of tobacco in any form to a minor ;

To the committee on Public Health.

By Mr. Jones of Berkshire, a petition of John F. Hem- John F. Hemming. ming that the tolls and charges of the Boston & Albany Railroad Company for handling and hauling coal be revised and that unequal freight rates be prohibited under penalty ;

To the committee on Railroads.

By Mr. Milliken, a petition of Annie E. Wallcut and Woman Suffrage. others, that women may be allowed to vote in all town and municipal elections ;

To the committee on Woman Suffrage.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

By Mr. Lilley, a petition of William H. Anderson and William H. Anderson et als. others, that civil constables be given authority to serve writs and other civil processes wherein the *ad damnum* does not exceed one thousand dollars, and to serve libels in actions of divorce.

Oblate Fathers.

By Mr. Lilley, a petition of The Society of Oblate Fathers for missions among the poor, for authority to receive, purchase, hire and hold real and personal estate anywhere in the Commonwealth, for religious, charitable and educational purposes.

Severally to the committee on the Judiciary.

Orders Adopted.

On motion of Mr. Dunbar, —

Legal voters.

Ordered, That the Secretary of the Commonwealth be requested to furnish for the use of the legislature the returns of the Census of the legal voters for the years 1875 and 1885 in print, arranged in parallel columns, under the heads of senatorial, councillor and representative districts.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Papers from the House.

Bills

Appropriations.

Making appropriations for compensation and mileage of officers and men of the volunteer militia, and other expenses of the military department; and

Making appropriations for printing and binding public documents, for editing registration reports, purchase of paper, publishing laws, and preparing tables and indexes relating to the statutes, were severally read and referred to the committee on the Treasury.

The following papers were severally referred in concurrence: —

Boston Bar Association.

A petition of the Bar Association of the city of Boston for an act of incorporation;

To the joint committee on the Judiciary.

Boston.

The first annual report of the Board of Police for the city of Boston;

Fitchburg.

A petition of the city of Fitchburg for an amendment of its charter so as to create a Board of Trustees of its public burial grounds; and

George J. L. Colby.

A petition of George J. L. Colby and others for an amendment of the charter of the city of Newburyport relative to the compensation paid to the mayor of said city;

Severally to the committee on Cities.

A petition of William D. Dennis of Salem for a settlement of his account for services rendered in connection with the improvements on the State House in 1881 ;

William D. Dennis.

To the committee on Claims.

A petition of the board of health of Framingham for authority to construct a drain in the towns of Framingham and Natick ;

Framingham.

To the committee on Drainage.

A resolution concerning the protection of the fishing industries of the United States ;

Fishing industries.

To the committee on Federal Relations.

A petition of D. C. Batchelder and others for legislation relative to the cancellation of leases of great ponds where the conditions of such lease have not been complied with ;

D. C. Batchelder et als.

To the committee on Fisheries and Game.

A petition of the Bay State Gas Company for an increase of its capital stock ;

Bay State Gas Co.

To the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

Petitions of

J. C. Snow and others ;

Tobacco.

F. F. Brown and others ;

John W. Herrick and others ; and

A. S. Walker and others, severally for legislation prohibiting the selling or giving away of tobacco in any form to minors ;

Severally to the committee on Public Health.

A remonstrance of the town of Melrose against a change of boundary lines between Malden and Melrose ; and

Melrose.

A remonstrance of J. T. Foster and others against the division of the town of Medford ;

Medford.

Severally to the committee on Towns.

A petition of John J. Whipple, mayor of the city of Brockton, that said city may be authorized to contribute to its water loan sinking fund the net income received from water rents after paying interest on its water loans ; and

Brockton.

A petition of John J. Whipple, mayor of the city of Brockton, that said city may be authorized to issue additional water bonds ;

Ibid.

Severally to the committee on Water Supply.

Woman
Suffrage.

Petitions of

L. M. Temple and others ; and

Abby W. Wyman and others, severally for the enactment of a law enabling women to vote in all town and municipal elections ;

Severally to the committee on Woman Suffrage.

The following House orders were severally adopted in concurrence : —

Police Officers.

Ordered, That the committee on Cities consider the expediency of legislation requiring all regular police officers, including city marshals, chiefs of police and their assistants, of the several cities of the Commonwealth, to be appointed to hold office during good behavior, subject to be removed by the mayor, with the consent of the aldermen, for such cause as he may deem sufficient, and shall put on record in writing.

Insurance Companies.

Ordered, That the committee on Insurance consider the expediency of legislation requiring insurance companies to deal directly with their patrons, where and when it is so desired by the latter, to the end that the insured may be relieved from the large commissions which they are now required to pay agents.

The following order laid over from yesterday was also adopted in concurrence :

Boston.

Ordered, That the committee on Cities consider the expediency of legislation relative to the election of school committee in the city of Boston, so as to provide for their election by districts.

The Orders of the Day were taken up and the House Bills

Appropriations.

Making appropriations for the maintenance of the government for the present year ;

Making appropriations for the compensation and mileage of the members of the legislature, for the compensation of officers thereof, and for expenses in connection therewith ; and

Making appropriations for the erection of monuments on the battlefield at Gettysburg, were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, January 27, 1886.

Met according to adjournment.

Upon motion of Mr. Morse, the vote by which the bill ^{Taxes.} in regard to the assessment and apportionment of poll and other taxes was referred to the committee on Taxation, was reconsidered, and the bill was then referred to the committee on Election Laws.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Mr. Phillips, from the committee on Railroads, on the petition of the Connecticut River Railroad Company, reported a bill to authorize the Connecticut River Railroad Company to unite and consolidate with the Ashuelot Railroad Company of New Hampshire, and the same was read and ordered to a second reading. ^{Connecticut River Railroad Company.}

Mr. Forbes presented a petition of the National Woman Suffrage Association of Massachusetts for an amendment to the Constitution, striking out from the 3d article of the amendments thereof the word "male;" ^{Woman Suffrage.}

Referred to the committee on Woman Suffrage.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Order Adopted.

On motion of Mr. Kendricken,—

Ordered, That the committee on Drainage be authorized to visit such places at such times as they may deem expedient in the consideration of the matters before them. ^{Committee on Drainage.}

On motion of Mr. Dunbar,—

Ordered, That the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of such legislation as will provide regulations for the assessment and registration of women as voters similar to those now provided for the assessment and registration of men; ^{Women as voters.}

Severally sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

On motion of Mr. Dunbar,—

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of such legislation as will enable the guardian of an insane man to release the interest of his ward in the real estate of the wife of such insane person. ^{Real estate of insane persons.}

On motion of Mr. Dunbar,—

Votes for
Senators.

Ordered, That the committee on Returns of Votes for Senators be authorized to send for persons and papers.

Papers from the House.

The following papers were severally referred in concurrence :—

James Draper
et al.

A petition of James Draper of Worcester and 48 others for legislation to establish an Arbor Day;
To the committee on Agriculture.

Newburyport.

A petition of the mayor of Newburyport for an amendment of the city charter so as to provide for the payment of an annual salary to the mayor of said city;

Ibid.

A petition of the same for such legislation as will enable said city to increase its debt sufficiently to meet its share of the cost of rebuilding the Essex Merrimac bridge; and

Cities.

And a resolve for the appointment of a commission to consider upon and report to the General Court a form of charter for the government of cities adopting the same;
Severally to the committee on Cities.

Chelsea.

A remonstrance of the Revere Beach Land Co. and others against granting the petition of the Chelsea Gas Light Co. for authority to lay pipes and furnish gas in the town of Revere;

To the committee on Manufactures.

Mass. Home
Missionary
Society.

A petition of the Massachusetts Home Missionary Society to be allowed to hold additional personal property;
To the committee on Parishes and Religious Societies.

Chas. E. Wiggin
et al.

A petition of Charles E. Wiggin and others for the establishment of a State Foundling Hospital;

Health, Lunacy
and Charity.

The Seventh Annual Report of the State Board of Health, Lunacy and Charity; and

Blind.

A petition of D. H. Smith and others, that State aid may be established for the blind similar to that now in operation for disabled soldiers;

Severally to the committee on Public Charitable Institutions.

Tobacco.

Petitions of

Rev. Lewis Holmes and others;

S. L. Underwood and others;

Henry N. Jones and others; and

Daniel A. Wade and others, severally for legislation prohibiting the selling or giving away of tobacco in any form to a minor;

Severally to the committee on Public Health.

A petition of Jesse E. Keith, judge of probate and insolvency for the county of Plymouth, for an increase of salary;

Jesse E. Keith.

To the committee on Public Service.

A petition of the Highland Street Railway Company for legislation granting authority to lease, purchase, and consolidate with certain other street railways, and for other purposes;

Highland Street Railway Co.

To the committee on Street Railways.

A petition of the town of Princeton for the repeal of the law exempting church property from taxation;

Princeton.

To the committee on Taxation.

The following House orders were severally adopted in concurrence:—

Ordered, That the committee on Education consider the expediency of so amending chapter 224 of the Acts of the year 1883 as to give to school boards discretionary power to permit the employment of a child under twelve years of age, when in their opinion the public good will be advanced thereby.

Children, employment of.

Ordered, That the committee on Labor consider the expediency of such legislation as shall provide for the appointment of a State inspector, or a board of examiners, whose duty it shall be to ascertain by examination the qualification of engineers; and that no person shall be allowed to run a stationary engine without a license from said inspector or board of examiners.

Engineers, qualification of.

Ordered, That the committee on Liquor Law consider the expediency of so amending the provisions of section 21 of chapter 100 of the Public Statutes, that in case the life of any person is lost in consequence of his or her intoxication or in consequence of the intoxication of any other person or persons, the party or parties furnishing the liquor causing such intoxication, in whole or in part, shall be amenable in the same manner and for the benefit of the same persons as is now provided by section 212 of chapter 112 of the Public Statutes in cases of deaths caused by the negligence or carelessness of a railroad corporation or its agents or servants.

Intoxicating Liquors.

The Orders of the Day were taken up and the Bills

Appropriations.

In amendment of section 29 of chapter 35 of the Public Statutes so as to give selectmen of towns the power to remove engineers of fire departments ;

Authorizing the county commissioners of Middlesex County to cause to be made copies of certain records and plans in the registry of deeds for the southern district ; and

Making appropriations for the maintenance of the judicial departments of the government during the present year, were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

George G.
Spear Jr.

The report of the committee on Public Service on the petition of George G. Spear, Jr., for the establishment of the salary of the Third Clerk in the Department of the Secretary of the Commonwealth was considered. Mr. Lilley moved to substitute a bill therefor, and the report was laid on the table and bill ordered to be printed.

Adjourned.

THURSDAY, January 28, 1886.

Met according to adjournment.

Algonquin
Club.

Mr. Scott, from the committee on the Judiciary, on the petition of Augustus P. Martin and others ; reported

A bill to incorporate Algonquin Club of Boston ; and

Mr. Dunbar, from the same committee, on an order in relation to the subject, reported

Referees of
Supreme
Judicial and
Superior
Courts.

A bill in relation to the compensation of referees for duties performed under direction of the Supreme Judicial Court and Superior Court, and these bills were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

General Court.

Mr. Lilley, from the joint special committee on Rules, on an order in relation to the subject, reported

A bill to provide further assistance for the two branches of the legislature, and the same was read and referred to the committee on the Treasury.

Appropriations.

Mr. Walker, from the committee on the Treasury, on the House bill making appropriations for compensation and mileage of officers and men of the volunteer militia, and for other expenses of the military department ; and

Mr. Morrill, from the same committee, on the House bill making appropriations for printing and binding public documents, for editing registration reports, purchase of paper, publishing laws, and preparing tables and indexes relating to the statutes, severally reported that these bills ought to pass, and they were ordered to a second reading.

Mr. Cogswell, from the committee on the Judiciary, on the order to consider the expediency of such legislation as will permit complaints to be made and warrants issued in any county, regardless of the county in which the offence for which the same is issued was committed, reported that it is inexpedient to legislate thereon, and the report was read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow.

Complaints and
Warrants.

The same Senator, from the same committee, on petition of the Mayor of the city of Boston, that the debt issued under authority of chapter 377 of the Acts of the year 1885, on account of a new court house and site, be not included within the limitation prescribed by chapter 178 of the Acts of the year 1885, reported, asking to be discharged from the further consideration thereof, and that the same be referred to the committee on Cities, and the report being considered was accepted.

Boston.

Sent down for concurrence in so much of said report as refers the petition to the committee on Cities.

Came up concurred.

The same Senator, from the same committee, on the order to consider the expediency of repealing chapter 384 of the Acts of the year 1885, so far as the same applies to counties other than Suffolk, reported, asking to be discharged from the further consideration thereof, and that the same be referred to the joint committee on the Judiciary, and the report being considered was accepted.

Supreme Judicial and Superior Courts.

Sent down for concurrence in so much as refers the last named order to the joint committee on the Judiciary.

Came up concurred..

On motion of Mr. Joyner the following order was taken from the files of last year and referred to the committee on Education :—

Ordered, That the committee on Education consider the expediency of a general State tax not exceeding one-half of a mill per dollar on the State valuation, to be levied for the benefit of the public schools of the Commonwealth and to be distributed among the several cities and towns in proportion to the number of children of school age in

Public Schools.

actual attendance at the public schools, or to be distributed by the Board of Education as the wants of the schools require.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Norris,—

N. Y. & N. E.
R. R. Co.'s
bonds.

The order concerning an investigation into the sale by the Governor and Council of certain New York and New England Railroad Company's second mortgage coupon bonds which belonged to the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, was taken from the table and ordered to be placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow.

Petitions were presented and referred as follows :—

Boston.

By Mr. Naphen, a petition of the School Committee of the City of Boston for the amendment of chapter 241 of the Acts of the year 1875, relative to reorganizing the School Committee of the City of Boston ;

To the committee on Education.

Fannie L. Nye.

By Mr. Joyner, a petition of Fannie L. Nye for State aid ;

To the committee on Military Affairs.

Housatonic
Railroad Co.

By Mr. Norris, a petition of the Housatonic Railroad Company for the repeal of chapter 338 of the Acts of the year 1885 concerning freight rates on the railroads in Massachusetts operated by the Housatonic Railroad ;

To the committee on Railroads.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Henry W.
Holland et als.

By Mr. Joyner, a petition of Josiah Quincy and others, in aid of that of Henry W. Holland and others, for an amendment of chapter 98 of the Public Statutes relating to the observance of the Lord's day ;

To the committee on the Judiciary.

Wives and
Children.

Mr. Naphen, on leave, introduced a bill in relation to the better protection of wives and children ; also

Arrests.

A bill relating to arrests in criminal cases.

And these bills were severally read and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Orders Adopted.

On motion of Mr. Gleason,—

Imitation
Butter.

Ordered, That the committee on Agriculture consider the expediency of further legislation relating to the sale of imitation butter.

On motion of Mr. Naphen,—

Ordered, That the committee on Education consider the expediency of amending chapter 48 of the Public Statutes relative to the employment of children under ten years of age, so that they shall not be employed in any establishment; also to amend said chapter so that if the physical or mental condition of a child is such as to render his attendance at school impracticable, upon the written report of a truant officer approved by two members of the school committee, the case may be submitted to a justice of the court in the district having jurisdiction in the case of truants and absentees, and, upon a hearing, said justice may issue a special certificate allowing such child to be employed, said certificate to be furnished by the Secretary of the Board of Education, and to be approved by the Attorney-General.

Children,
employment of.

On motion of Mr. Joyner,—

Ordered, That the committee on Claims have power to send for persons and papers in the hearing of any matters before them, when, in their judgment, it is expedient or necessary.

Committee on
Claims.

On motion of Mr. Lilley,—

Ordered, That the committee on Taxation consider the expediency of amending the laws relating to the taxation of telegraph and telephone companies.

Telegraph and
Telephone Com-
panies.

On motion of Mr. Scott,—

Ordered, That the committee on Water Supply consider the expediency of further legislation concerning the regulation, conduct and management of water companies.

Water Compa-
nies.

On motion of Mr. Dunbar,—

Ordered, That the abstract of returns of the decennial census, showing the number of legal voters in the several cities and towns in the Commonwealth, be referred to a joint special committee to consist of eight members on the part of the Senate and twenty-four on the part of the House, and that said committee report a new division of the Commonwealth into councillor and senatorial districts, and a new apportionment of representatives to the several counties for the ensuing ten years, agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution.

Committee on
Redistricting
the Common-
wealth.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Papers from the House.

A bill making appropriations for certain educational expenses was read and referred to the committee on the Treasury.

Appropriations.

The following papers were severally referred, in concurrence :—

John Atwood
et als.

A petition of John Atwood and others for a redress of grievances and the return of certain deeds and documents presented before a committee of the legislature in the year 1884, came up referred to the committee on Claims, and the Senate non-concurred in said reference and referred the same to the Senate committee on the Judiciary, and the petition was returned to the House for concurrence in discharging the committee on Claims.

Came up concurred.

Solicitor-
General.

Petitions of
Charles J. Staples and others ;
N. D. Wilbur and others ;
Charles E. Mann and others ; and
Henry Lee and others, for the appointment of a
Solicitor-General ;
Severally to the joint committee on the Judiciary.

Suffolk County
Court House.

A bill to provide accommodations for registries of deeds and probate in connection with the new court house for the county of Suffolk, and to take additional land for that purpose ;

To the committee on Cities.

Osborne St.
John.

A petition of Osborne St. John for certain money due him as a depositor in the West Boston Savings Bank, said money having reverted to the Commonwealth ; and

Robert C.
Davis.

A petition of Robert C. Davis for certain money due him as a depositor in the Mercantile Savings Bank, said money having reverted to the Commonwealth ;

Severally to the committee on Claims.

Constitution.

A report of the committee on Election Laws, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending the Constitution and the laws so as to allow registration of citizens who may change their residence after May 1 in any year, was recommitted to the committee on Election Laws, with instructions to give a public hearing.

C. F. Worthen
et als.

A petition of C. F. Worthen and others for legislation relative to the cancellation of leases of great ponds where the conditions of such leases have not been complied with ; and

Nehemiah
Baker et als.

A petition of Nehemiah Baker and others that the use of seines and traps be prohibited in the State waters of Buzzard's Bay, Vineyard Sound, etc. ;

Severally to the committee on Fisheries and Game.

A petition of Philip C. Smith and others in favor of Labor.
weekly payments and the establishment of a board of arbitration on labor matters ;

To the committee on Labor.

A petition of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union of Massachusetts for an amendment to the Constitution prohibiting the manufacture and sale of alcoholic liquors as a beverage ;

Intoxicating
Liquors.

To the committee on the Liquor Law.

A petition of the Young Men's Christian Association of Worcester for amendment of its charter ;

To the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

A petition of George D. Tufts and others for the establishment of an independent State Board of Health ; and

State Board of
Health.

Petitions of

P. F. Barnard and others ;

Sidney Brooks and others ;

Albert H. Tompkins and others ;

George S. Pine and others ;

George A. Russell and others ;

H. T. Barnard and others ;

William Connell and others ;

William L. Taber and others ;

E. C. Erving and others ; and

Edward B. Mason and others, severally for legislation prohibiting the selling or giving away of tobacco in any form to a minor ;

Severally to the committee on Public Health.

A petition of E. Kendall Jenkins, treasurer of Essex County, for an increase of salary ;

E. Kendall
Jenkins.

To the committee on Public Service.

A petition of Crosby A. Perry and others for an appropriation from the State to relieve the town of Monroe from the cost of the building and maintaining a certain highway in said town ;

C. A. Perry
et al.

To the committee on Roads and Bridges.

Petitions of

Martha Clapp and others ;

Nancy M. Thompson and others ;

Anna Gardner and others ;

A. Augusta Cheney and others ; and

Calista A. Sturtevant and others, severally for the en-

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Suffrage.

actment of a law enabling women to vote in all town and municipal elections ;

Severally to the committee on Woman Suffrage.

The following House Orders were severally adopted in concurrence :—

Naturalization.

Ordered, That the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of amending chapter 345 of the Acts of the year 1885, an act in relation to naturalization, by removing the restrictions contained in said chapter, in order to facilitate naturalization.

Inland Fisheries.

Ordered, That the committee on Printing consider the expediency of printing, for the use of the legislature, a sufficient number of copies of a codification of the reports of the Commissioners on Inland Fisheries from the years 1872 to 1886, inclusive.

Assessors.

Ordered, That the committee on Taxation consider the expediency of amending section 78 of chapter 11 of the Public Statutes, so as to give assessors of taxes additional time in which to add to the tax list property which may have been omitted from the last annual assessment.

The following communication was received and laid on the President's table :—

To the HON. ALBERT E. PILLSBURY, *President of the Senate.*

Census and Legal Voters.

Sir:—In compliance with an order of the General Court of January 27th, I have the honor to transmit a copy of the returns of the Census of the Legal Voters in the years 1875 and 1885, in print, arranged in parallel columns under the heads of Senatorial, Councillor and Representative Districts.

Respectfully,

(Signed)

HENRY B. PEIRCE,
Secretary.

Connecticut River R.R. Co.

The Orders of the Day were taken up and the Bill to authorize the Connecticut River Railroad Company to unite and consolidate with the Ashuelot Railroad Company of New Hampshire, was read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Fire Departments.

The Senate bill in amendment of section 29 of chapter 35 of the Public Statutes so as to give selectmen of towns the power to remove engineers of fire departments, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

The bill authorizing the county commissioners of Middlesex County to cause to be made copies of certain records and plans in the registry of deeds for the southern district, was read a third time and laid on the table. Middlesex County.

The House bill making appropriations for the maintenance of the judicial departments of the government during the present year, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence. Appropriations.

The report of the committee on Banks and Banking on the order relative to requiring savings banks to change their treasurer once in five years, was accepted. Savings Banks.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The House report of the committee on Election Laws, on an order relative to the repeal of the law which prohibits precinct officers from counting ballots before the closing of the polls, was accepted in concurrence. Ballots.

Adjourned.

FRIDAY, January 29, 1886.

Met according to adjournment.

Mr Dunbar, from the committee on the Returns of Votes for Senators, on the petition of Herbert L. Peck to be admitted to the seat in the Senate now occupied by Charles A. Reed of the First Bristol Senatorial District, reported that the petitioner have leave to withdraw, and the report was read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow. Herbert L. Peck.

The President laid before the Senate the Eighth Annual Report of the Commissioners of Prisons on the Reformatory Prison for Women, and the same was referred to the committee on Prisons. Reformatory Prison for Women.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The President announced the following members of the joint special committee to redistrict the State into councillor and senatorial districts, and to make a new apportionment of representatives to the several counties for the ensuing ten years, as provided for in the order relating to the subject:— Committee on Redistricting the Commonwealth.

Messrs. Dunbar of Hampden, Lilley of Middlesex, Norris of the Cape District, Joyner of Berkshire, Tappan of Essex, Gove of Suffolk, Forbes of Worcester, and Murphy of Suffolk.

Sent down to be joined.

Came up; and Messrs. Field of Boston, Marcy of Newton, Roads of Marblehead, Lovell of Weymouth, Currier of Worcester, Creed of Boston, Butterfield of Chelsea, Frothingham of Haverhill, Doane of Harwich, Davis of Somerville, Stevens of Lowell, Ryan of Chicopee, Cook of New Bedford, Bent of Cambridge, Harkins of Boston, James of Williamsburg, Stockwell of Sutton, Donovan of Boston, Norton of Otis, Hathorne of Boston, Harrington of Fall River, Gleason of Rockland, Clark of Lynn and Shearer of Colrain are joined.

On motion of Mr. Dunbar, —

Legal Voters.

The return of the number of legal voters, as shown by the Decennial Census of 1885, was taken from the table and referred to the joint special committees on Redistricting the Commonwealth.

On motion of the same Senator, —

Ibid.

The returns of the census of the legal voters in the years 1875 and 1885, in print, arranged in parallel columns under the heads of senatorial, councillor and representative districts, was taken from the President's table and referred to the same committee.

Boston.

Mr. Murphy presented a petition of the mayor of Boston, that said city be authorized to borrow money for the construction of parks.

Referred to the committee on Cities.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Orders Adopted.

On motion of Mr Phillips, —

Commissioners
of Savings
Banks.

Ordered, That the committee on Banks and Banking consider the expediency of authorizing the employment of additional clerical and expert assistance by the Commissioners of Savings Banks and of a re-arrangement of the salaries in said department.

On motion of Mr. Murphy, —

Ordered, That the committee on Cities consider the expediency of amending chapter 377 of the Acts of the year 1885, so as to place the erection of the Suffolk County Court House in the hands of the mayor of Boston and the regular departments, like other city work.

Suffolk County
Court House.

On motion of Mr. Scott, —

Ordered, That the committee on Education consider the expediency of further legislation concerning the regulation, management and requirements of the public schools.

Public Schools.

On motion of Mr. Lilley, —

Ordered, That the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of so amending section 14 of chapter 298 of the Acts of the year 1884 as to provide that city and town clerks shall not be members of boards of registrars of voters in their respective cities and towns.

City and town
clerks.

On motion of Mr. Dunbar, —

Ordered, That the committee on Election Laws consider what compensation should be provided for the editors of the reports of the contested elections of the legislature from 1853 to 1885, — and for their assistant for preparing and publishing the same;

Reports of con-
tested elections.

Also that they consider the expediency of printing additional copies of said reports;

Also, that they consider what, if anything, is expedient to be done with reference to the future publication of such reports.

On motion of Mr. Joyner, —

Ordered, That the committee on Insurance consider the expediency of legislation to prevent fire insurance companies from combining to establish arbitrary and excessive rates;

Fire Insurance
Companies.

Also, the expediency of legislation creating a State board of commissioners, who shall have authority to hear parties and revise and fix rates of fire insurance, or of legislation giving such authority to some existing board of commissioners or other officers of the Commonwealth.

On motion of Mr. Lilley, —

Ordered, That the committee on Mercantile Affairs consider the expediency of so amending chapter 200 of the Acts of the year 1883, as to limit the amount to which the American Bell Telephone Company may become a stock-

American Bell
Telephone Co.

holder in any other corporation, to an amount not exceeding thirty per cent. of the capital stock of such other corporation without exception.

On motion of Mr. Norris, —

Railroad Laws.

Ordered, That the committee on Railroads consider the expediency of providing for the codification of the general railroad laws, and the indexing of the charters and special laws relating to railroad corporations from the year 1873 to the year 1886.

On motion of Mr. Scott, —

State House.

Ordered, That the committee on the State House inquire into the cause of the recent elevator accident in the State House; and into the safety of the elevators and the efficiency of the elevator service.

On motion of Mr. Joyner, —

Overseers of the Poor.

Ordered, That the committee on Woman Suffrage consider the expediency of legislation authorizing or requiring cities and towns to elect upon their boards of overseers of the poor one or more women.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

On motion of Mr. Douglas, —

Small loans on household goods.

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of amending chapter 252 of the Acts of the year 1885, by striking out the words, "when such property is deposited with the persons making the loan," in the sixth and seventh lines, and by inserting in the fourth line after the word "goods" the word "furniture."

On motion of Mr. Alger, —

Deeds.

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of legislation for the better protection of owners of real estate and of persons having an interest therein, by providing that all instruments now required by the Public Statutes to be recorded in a registry of deeds shall be executed in duplicate. After the recording whereof, one part shall remain on file in the registry of deeds, and the other part shall be returned to the person or his attorney depositing the same for record. The register of deeds shall affix to each part of said instrument a certificate of the recording thereof; and no register of deeds shall receive for record any instrument relating to real estate which is not executed in duplicate form.

Papers from the House.

A bill to permit clerks of courts to imprint fac-similes of their signatures upon certain processes issued by them, was read and referred to the committee on the Judiciary. Clerks of courts.

A report of the committee on Public Service, that it is inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to legislation concerning the salary of the Secretary of the Commonwealth; and Secretary of the Commonwealth.

A report of the committee on Parishes and Religious Societies, granting leave to withdraw, on the petition of Albert Hill and others for an act of incorporation as the Congregational Church of West Medway, and the dissolution of the corporation known as the West Parish in Medway, were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow. Albert Hill et als.

The following papers were severally referred in concurrence : —

A petition of Charles J. Noyes and others for the establishment of another court in the county of Suffolk ; Chas. J. Noyes et als.
To the joint committee on the Judiciary.

A petition of W. M. Davis and others for more general distribution of the weather predictions issued daily by the United States signal service ; W. M. Davis et als.
To the committee on Agriculture.

A bill to establish parliamentary law for city councils ; City councils.
To the committee on Cities.

A petition of the visitors of the State Normal School at Worcester for an appropriation for a new heating apparatus, and for repairs at said institution ; State Normal School.
To the committee on Education.

A petition of John Swett and others for legislation prohibiting the seining of bluefish in Wellfleet Bay ; and Bluefish.

A petition of F. H. Morton and others, citizens of Springfield, West Springfield and Chicopee, that some action be taken by the General Court relative to the maintenance of a dam erected at Enfield, Conn., whereby the shad fisheries of the Connecticut River are destroyed ; F. H. Morton et als.

Severally to the committee on Fisheries and Game.

A petition of Lorenzo Sturtevant for an act to authorize the town of Pembroke to pay a certain bounty ; Lorenzo Sturtevant.

To the committee on Military Affairs.

Cottage City
Gas Co.

A petition of the Cottage City Gas Co. for the amendment of its charter authorizing it to furnish electric lights and electric power and water to the inhabitants of Cottage City ;

To the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

Tobacco.

Petitions of

Joseph D. Brown and others ;

Franklin Johnson and others ;

W. E. Merriman and others ;

M. L. Hawley and others ;

W. G. Richardson and others ; and

E. S. Fletcher and others, severally for legislation prohibiting the selling or giving away of tobacco in any form to a minor ;

Severally to the committee on Public Health.

Police Court,
Gloucester.

A petition of the judge of the police court of the city of Gloucester for an increase of salary.

Soldiers and
Sailors.

A bill to define the laws preferring honorably discharged soldiers and sailors in appointments to and promotions in office.

Insurance Com-
missioner.

A bill providing additional compensation for clerical assistance in the Insurance Commissioner's department.

John W. Pettingill.

A petition of John W. Pettingill, judge of the First District Court of Eastern Middlesex, for an increase of salary ; and

William A.
Fort.

A petition of William A. Fort, constable of the Probate Court for the county of Suffolk, for an increase of salary ;
Severally to the committee on Public Service.

Hampshire
County Com-
missioners.

A petition of the county commissioners of Hampshire County for a repeal of the laws imposing an obligation on the county to maintain certain bridges in the town of Huntington ;

To the committee on Roads and Bridges.

Woman
Suffrage.

Petitions of

Eliza F. Doane and others ;

Eliza Wellington and others ;

Annie E. Damon and others ;

Susan A. Lincoln and others ;

Susan E. B. Channing and others ;

Sarah B. Bowker and others ;

Mrs. Eliza Ricker and others ;

William H. Chappell and others ; and
 William W. Crapo and others, for the enactment of a
 law enabling women to vote in all town and municipal
 elections ;

Severally to the committee on Women Suffrage.

A petition of J. O. Winchester, asking to be reimbursed for a sum of money paid for a substitute in 1863, came up referred to the committee on Military Affairs, and the Senate non-concurred in the reference and referred the petition to the committee on Claims.

J. O. Winchester.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The following House Orders were severally adopted in concurrence : —

Ordered, That the committee on Education consider the expediency of a State tax, for educational purposes, not to exceed one mill on the dollar, to be assessed on all the property of the State and to be redistributed in proportion to the number of children of school age in the several cities and towns.

Public Schools.

Ordered, That the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of amending section 14 of chapter 298 of the Acts of the year 1884 relating to registrars of voters to be appointed in cities and towns, by striking out the words, " who shall hold no other office or position by election or appointment in said city or town."

Registrars of Voters.

Ordered, That the committee on Fisheries and Game consider whether any legislation is necessary for the better preservation of fish and game.

Fish and Game.

Ordered, That the committee on Public Health consider the expediency of legislation to protect the public against the sale of paper-hangings containing poisonous substances.

Paper hangings.

Ordered, That the committee on Public Service consider the expediency of fixing the salaries of the extra clerks in the various State departments at \$1,300 per year.

State Department.

Ordered, That the committee on Public Service consider the expediency of changing the basis of compensation for the Civil Service Commissioners.

Civil Service Commissioners.

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

The order relative to an investigation of the sale, by the Governor and Council, of certain New York and New

N. Y. & N. E.
 R. R. Co.'s
 bonds.

England Railroad Company's second mortgage coupon bonds was considered, and the vote thereon was determined as follows :—

YEAS. — Messrs. Alger,	Douglas,	Jones of Essex.
Joyner,	McGahey,	Murphy,
Naphen. — 7.		

NAYS. — Messrs. Bigelow,	Boynton,	Cogswell,
Forbes,	Gould,	Gove,
Hayes,	Howard,	Howland,
Jefferson,	Jefts,	Joslin,
Lilley,	Locke,	Milliken,
Morse,	Norris,	Tappan,
Wilbur. — 19.		

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Dunbar,	Emerson,	Gleason,
Gunn,	Harlow,	Kendricken,
Morrill,	Nourse,	Phillips,
Reed,	Walker. — 11.	

PAIRED.— Mr. Jones of Berkshire (yea) with Mr. Scott (nay). — 2.

So the order was rejected.

Bills.

The bills

To incorporate the Algonquin Club of Boston ;

In relation to the compensation of referees for duties performed under direction of the Supreme Judicial Court and Superior Court ;

Making appropriations for compensation and mileage of officers and men of the volunteer militia, and for other expenses of the military department ;

Making appropriations for printing and binding public documents, for editing registration reports, purchase of paper, publishing laws, and preparing tables and indexes relating to the statutes, were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

**Connecticut
River R. R. Co.**

The Senate bill to authorize the Connecticut River Railroad Company to unite and consolidate with the Ashuelot Railroad Company of New Hampshire, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Warrants.

The Senate report of the committee on the Judiciary, on the order to consider the expediency of such legislation as will permit complaints to be made and warrants

issued in any county, regardless of the county in which the offence for which the same is issued was committed, was accepted.

The following engrossed bills, which severally originated in the House, passed to be enacted, and were laid before the Governor for his approval, to wit: —

Bills enacted
and to Governor.

Making appropriations for the compensation and mileage of the members of the legislature, for compensation of officers thereof, and for expenses in connection therewith.

Making appropriations for the maintenance of the government for the present year.

Making appropriations for the erection of monuments on the battlefield at Gettysburg.

Adjourned.

MONDAY, February 1, 1886.

Met according to adjournment.

The President laid before the Senate the report of the Commissioners of Prisons on the Massachusetts State Prison and the same was referred to the committee on Prisons.

State Prison.

Petitions were presented and referred as follows: —

By Mr. Gunn, a petition of Edward C. Hawkes for reimbursement for the loss of certain swine, and for expenses incident to the same, caused by officials of the Troy and Greenfield Railroad;

Edward C.
Hawkes.

To the committee on Claims.

By Mr. Napphen, a petition of the school committee of the city of Boston for the passage of a law enabling and requiring the city of Boston to provide a special school for truants and absentees from school, in a suitable location, away from Deer Island, and on the main land, said school to be under the charge of the directors of public institutions of the city of Boston;

Boston.

To the committee on Education.

By Mr. Norris, a petition of Chas. G. Perry and others of Barnstable; and by Mr. Walker, a petition of E. R.

Great Fonda.

Bridgman and others, severally for an investigation concerning the leases of great ponds, and for the cancellation of such leases as have not been complied with ;

Severally to the committee on Fisheries and Game ;

Charles River
Embankment
Co.

By Mr. Gove, a petition of the Charles River Embankment Company for an extension of the time in which to do and complete the work authorized and required to be done by chapter 211 of the Acts of the year 1881 and chapter 35 of the Acts of the year 1884 ;

To the committee on Harbors and Public Lands.

W. Lamson,
et als.

By Mr. Lilley, a petition of W. Lamson and others, that rates charged by companies manufacturing, leasing and selling, and licensing other companies to use and lease telephones, be fixed and established by law ;

To the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

Tobacco.

By Mr. Boynton, a petition of B. F. Perkins and others of Medford, for legislation prohibiting the selling or giving away of tobacco in any form to minors ;

To the committee on Public Health.

Onset Bay
Grove Associa-
tion.

By Mr. Murphy, a petition of the Onset Bay Grove Association, that its acts in building a street railway may be ratified and confirmed ;

Ibid.

By Mr. Murphy, a petition of E. Gerry Brown and others to be organized as the Onset Bay Grove Street Railway Corporation ;

Massachusetts
Cable Construc-
tion Company.

By Mr. Lilley, a petition of the Massachusetts Cable Construction Company for an amendment of the Public Statutes, particularly chapter 113, relating to the formation, etc., of street railway companies, and for other purposes (with instructions to order publication and hear the parties) ;

Severally to the committee on Street Railways.

Mexican Central
R. R. Co.

By Mr. Scott, a petition of the Mexican Central Railroad Company for relief from certain alleged unjust taxation ;

To the committee on Taxation.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Witnesses,
credibility of.

By Mr. Joyner, a petition of the Rev. James S. Bush and others for the amendment of chapter 169 of the Public

Statutes, so that evidence of a disbelief in a God shall not be received to affect the credibility of a witness; and

By Mr. Emerson, a petition of the Massachusetts Baptist Charitable Society for an amendment of its charter; Mass. Baptist Charitable Society.
Severally to the committee on the Judiciary.

Orders Adopted.

On motion of Mr. Naphen, —

Ordered, That the committee on Education consider the expediency of such legislation as shall provide for industrial education for neglected children and juvenile offenders in the public charitable, reformatory and penal institutions throughout the Commonwealth. Industrial Education.

On motion of Mr. Scott, —

Ordered, That the committee on Education consider the expediency of further legislation concerning the management and distribution of the Massachusetts School Fund. Massachusetts School Fund.

On motion of Mr. Dunbar, —

Ordered, That the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of such legislation as will permit primary declarations of intention of aliens to become citizens of the United States to be filed in the Superior Court and action taken thereon at any time. Naturalization.

On motion of Mr. Nourse, —

Ordered, That the committee on Mercantile Affairs consider the expediency of relieving such foreign mining, quarrying and oil companies as make due returns under the provisions of chapter 330 of the Acts of the year 1884 from making the returns required by the provisions of chapter 106 of the Acts of the year 1882. Mining, Quarrying and Oil Companies.

On motion of Mr. Phillips, —

Ordered, That the committee on Public Health consider the expediency of further legislation to increase the powers and authority of boards of health in preventing the spread of small-pox and other contagious diseases. Small-pox, etc.

On motion of Mr. Scott, —

Ordered, That the committee on Railroads consider the expediency of legislation to abate the nuisance caused by the Boston & Maine Railroad in obstructing travel at its grade crossing in Causeway Street in the city of Boston. Boston & Maine R.R.

- William Dummer.** On motion of Mr. Cogswell, —
Ordered, That the committee on the State House consider the expediency of obtaining a copy of the portrait of Lieutenant-Governor William Dummer now in the possession of the trustees of Dummer Academy.
- Elevated Railroads.** On motion of Mr. Cogswell, —
Ordered, That the committee on Street Railways consider the expediency of legislation for the construction, maintenance and operation of elevated railroads in and between the cities and towns of the Commonwealth.
- Testate and intestate estates.** On motion of Mr. Joyner, —
Ordered, That the committee on Taxation consider the expediency of imposing a tax upon all testate and intestate estates.
- Hampden County.** On motion of Mr. Cogswell, —
Ordered, That the joint committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of establishing another district court in the county of Hampden.
 Severally sent down for concurrence.
 Came up concurred.
- Eastern R.R. Co.** On motion of Mr. Wilbur, —
Ordered, That the committee on Railroads consider and report what legislation, if any, is necessary to enable the Eastern Railroad Company to retire its certificates of indebtedness and advance the interest of its shareholders.
 Sent down for concurrence.
- Public Statutes.** On motion of Mr. Cogswell, —
Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of having a new index to the Public Statutes.
- Police Commissioners.** On motion of Mr. Cogswell, —
Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of amending section 7 of chapter 103 of the Public Statutes, so that any person may be licensed by the police commissioners to act as a private detective, and that the amount of the bond required by said section may be increased.
- Boston.** On motion of Mr. Wilbur, —
Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of so amending chapter 178 of the Acts of the year 1885 as to exclude the county tax in determining the amount of tax which can be assessed on the property in the city of Boston.

On motion of Mr. Lilley, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of further legislation relative to the disposal of recovered stolen property in the hands of prosecuting officers.

Stolen property.

Papers from the House.

A bill to authorize the union of the New Bedford, Vineyard and Nantucket Steamboat Company and the Nantucket and Cape Cod Steamboat Company, on the petition of the same, was read and ordered to a second reading.

New Bedford, Vineyard and Nantucket Steamboat Company, etc.

Bills

Making appropriations for salaries and expenses at the State Primary School at Monson ;

State Primary School

Making appropriations for salaries and expenses at the Lyman School for Boys ;

Lyman School for Boys.

Making appropriations for salaries and expenses at the State Industrial School for Girls ; and

State Industrial School.

Resolves

Providing for printing extra copies of the report of the commission appointed to consider a general system of drainage for the valleys of the Mystic, Blackstone and Charles rivers ; and

Mystic, Blackstone and Charles Rivers.

Authorizing the Treasurer and Receiver-General to borrow money in anticipation of revenue, were severally read and referred to the committee on the Treasury.

Treasurer.

The following papers were severally referred in concurrence : —

A petition of the mayor of Cambridge for an amendment of the city charter relative to the revision of the ward boundaries and the apportionment of members of the common council ;

Cambridge.

To the committee on Cities.

A petition of Malvina S. Simpson for certain money due her as a depositor in the West Boston Savings Bank, said money having reverted to the Commonwealth ;

Malvina S. Simpson.

To the committee on Claims.

A petition of the trustees of the Williston Seminary for leave to hold real and personal estate for educational purposes to the amount of one million dollars ;

Williston Seminary.

To the committee on Education.

- Suffrage.** A bill to enforce the duty of suffrage ;
To the committee on Election Laws.
- Fish, — Dukes County.** A remonstrance of Abbott L. Baker and others, citizens of Dukes County, against any law to prohibit the inhabitants from seining any kind of fish ; and
- Ibid.** A remonstrance of George A. Smith and others, citizens of Barnstable County, against any law to prohibit the seining of bluefish in the waters around the island of Martha's Vineyard ;
Severally to the committee on Fisheries and Game.
- Howland S. Bonney.** A petition of John P. Tillson and others, of Pembroke, that the town be authorized to pay a bounty to Howland S. Bonney ; and
- Eliza A. Lary.** A petition of Eliza A. Lary for State aid ;
Severally to the committee on Military Affairs.
- L. F. Mendell et als.** A petition of L. F. Mendell and others to be incorporated as the Union Congregational Church of Plainville ; and
- Episcopal Clerical Fund.** A petition of the trustees of the Episcopal Clerical Fund for a change of name and for authority to hold more real and personal property ;
Severally to the committee on Parishes and Religious Societies.
- Robert Treat Paine.** A petition of Robert Treat Paine and others for legislation to prevent the public begging or peddling by children ;
To the committee on Public Charitable Institutions.
- Tobacco.** A petition of John S. Smith and others for legislation prohibiting the selling or giving away of tobacco in any form to a minor ;
To the committee on Public Health.
- Boston & Lowell R. R. Corporation.** A petition of the Boston and Lowell Railroad Corporation for an amendment of chapter 153 of the Acts of the year 1884, relating to the consolidation of said company with other railroad companies ; and
A petition of the Boston & Lowell Railroad Corporation for legislation allowing it to consolidate with certain railroads leased or operated by it ;
Severally to the committee on Railroads.
- Marblehead Water Company.** A petition of the assessors and selectmen and others of Marblehead for an amendment of the act to incorporate the Marblehead Water Company ;
To the committee on Water Supply.

A petition of A. M. Kingsbury and others for the enactment of a law enabling women to vote in all town and municipal elections; Woman Suffrage.

To the committee on Woman Suffrage.

The following House Orders were severally adopted in concurrence : —

Ordered, That the committee on Agriculture consider the expediency of legislation relative to the establishing of a legal standard in gallons, quarts and pints, which a can shall hold, where milk or cream is sold by the can. Milk Can.

Ordered, That the committee on Agriculture consider the expediency of amending chapter 57 of the Public Statutes relating to the inspection and sale of milk, so as to provide for the inspection and sale of cream. Milk.

Ordered, That the committee on Education consider the expediency of the establishment by cities of evening high schools. Evening high schools.

Ordered, That the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of providing for precinct voting in the towns of Dukes County. Dukes County.

Ordered, That the committee on Public Charitable Institutions inquire into the necessity of appropriating money for the completion of the new buildings for the Lyman School at Westborough, and for the building of a chapel for the school. Lyman School.

Ordered, That the committee on Public Charitable Institutions consider the expediency of further legislation in regard to the care of the poor in public institutions or in regard to out-door relief for the poor. Poor, care of.

Ordered, That the committee on Public Health consider the expediency of amending section 3 of chapter 80 of the Public Statutes, making it compulsory for towns to annually choose boards of health. Boards of Health.

Ordered, That the committee on Railroads be authorized to employ a stenographer whenever they shall deem it expedient so to do. Committee on Railroads.

Ordered, That the committee on State House consider whether it is desirable that the State should acquire the Boston.

vacant lot of land on Hancock and Temple streets in the city of Boston recently occupied by the reservoir.

Institutions,
taxation of.

Ordered, That the committee on Taxation consider the expediency of amending the third paragraph of section 2 of chapter 11 of the Public Statutes, pertaining to the assessment of taxes of certain literary, benevolent, charitable and scientific institutions, by striking out in the eleventh line thereof the word "estate," and inserting in place thereof the words "income or profits."

Committee on
Fisheries and
Game.

Ordered, That the committee on Fisheries and Game be authorized to visit such places as they may deem necessary in the discharge of their duties.

State Prison.

The Senate resolve to authorize the Prison Commissioners to obtain plans for increasing the number of cells in the State Prison, came up with an amendment in the title, and the Senate concurred therein.

Algonquin
Club.

The Orders of the Day were taken up, and the Senate bill to incorporate the Algonquin Club was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Supreme Judi-
cial and Super-
ior Courts.

The Senate bill in relation to the compensation of referees for duties performed under direction of the Supreme Judicial Court and Superior Court, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The House bills

Appropriations.

Making appropriations for compensation and mileage of officers and men of the volunteer militia, and for other expenses of the military department;

Making appropriations for printing and binding public documents, for editing registration reports, purchase of paper, publishing laws, and preparing tables and indexes relating to the statutes, were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Herbert L.
Peck.

The Senate report of the committee on the Returns of Votes for Senators, on the petition of Herbert L. Peck to be admitted to the seat in the Senate now occupied by Charles A. Reed of the First Bristol Senatorial District, was accepted.

The House reports

Of the committee on Public Service, on an order relative to legislation concerning the salary of the Secretary of the Commonwealth; and Secretary of the Commonwealth.

Of the committee on Parishes and Religious Societies, on the petition of Albert Hill and others for an act of incorporation as the Congregational Church of West Medway, and the dissolution of the corporation known as the West Parish in Medway, were severally accepted in concurrence. Albert Hill et als.

Adjourned.

TUESDAY, February 2, 1886.

Met according to adjournment.

On motion of Mr. Scott, the vote by which the order instructing the committee on the Judiciary to consider the expediency of so amending chapter 178 of the Acts of the year 1885 as to exclude the county tax in determining the amount of tax which can be assessed on the property in the city of Boston was adopted, was reconsidered, and the question then recurring on the adoption of the order, the same was amended by striking out the words "the Judiciary" and inserting in the place thereof the word "Cities," and as amended was adopted. Boston.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Mr. Morrill, from the committee on the Treasury, on the Senate bill to provide further assistance for the two branches of the legislature; and on the General Court.

House bills

Making appropriations for certain educational expenses; Appropriations.

Making appropriations for the salaries and expenses at the State Primary School at Monson; and

Mr. Douglas, from the same committee, on the

House bills

Making appropriations for salaries and expenses at the State Industrial School for Girls; and Ida.

Mr. Walker, from the same committee, on the House bill making appropriations for salaries and expenses at the Lyman School for Boys; and the House resolve Treasurer and Receiver-General.

- authorizing the Treasurer and Receiver-General to borrow money in anticipation of revenue ; and
- Clerks of courts.** Mr. Cogswell, from the committee on the Judiciary, on the House bill to permit clerks of courts to imprint *fac-similes* of their signatures upon certain processes issued by them, reported that these bills and resolves severally ought to pass, and they were ordered to a second reading.
- Drainage Commission, report of.** Mr. Douglas, from the committee on the Treasury, on House resolve, providing for printing extra copies of the report of the Commission on Drainage, reported that the same ought to pass with an amendment, and it was ordered to a second reading.
- Southern Berkshire.** Mr. Joyner, on leave, introduced a bill to provide a clerk for the district court of southern Berkshire, and the same was read and referred to the joint committee on the Judiciary.
- Boston Marine Insurance Company.** Mr. Norris, on leave, introduced a bill authorizing the Boston Marine Insurance Company to extend its business, and the same was read and referred to the committee on Insurance.
- Factories, etc.** Mr. Jones of Essex, on leave, introduced a bill relating to the covering and guarding of certain machinery of factories, shops and other buildings ; also
- Employee, discharge of.** A bill regarding the discharge of an employee by reason of his being a member of any association, society or union, and the same were severally read and referred to the committee on Labor.
- Severally sent down for concurrence.
- Came up concurred.
- Taxes, assessment of.** Mr. Murphy, on leave, introduced a bill to regulate the assessment of taxes ; and Mr. Alger, on leave, introduced a bill empowering storage warehousemen to sell property for non-payment of storage and other charges, and these bills were severally read and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.
- Storage warehousemen.**
- Petitions were presented and referred as follows : —
- Worcester Safe Deposit and Trust Company.** By Mr. Jefferson, a petition of the Worcester Safe Deposit and Trust Company for an amendment of its charter ; To the committee on Banks and Banking.
- Boston.** By Mr. Wilbur, a petition of the Park Commissioners of the city of Boston for permission to lease estates taken for the purpose of a public park ; To the committee on Cities.

By Mr. Norris, a petition of the Overseers of the Poor Chatham.
of Chatham for reimbursement of moneys paid for the
support of David Rogers, an inmate of the State Reform
School ;

By Mr. Gunn, a petition for the selectmen of Green- Greenfield.
field, that said town be reimbursed for moneys expended
for and in behalf of the Troy and Greenfield Railroad ;

Severally to the committee on Claims.

By Mr. Murphy, a petition of the city of Boston for Boston.
authority for an amendment of the Act of 1881 authoriz-
ing the construction of the Charles River Embankment
Company ;

Also a petition of the Park Commissioners of the city Ibid.
of Boston for authority to fill certain flats and erect
structures near Dorchester Point ;

Severally to the committee on Harbors and Public
Lands.

By Mr. Jones of Essex, a petition of G. M. Manning G. M. Manning
et al.
and others, that eight hours of labor may constitute a
legal day's work ;

To the committee on Labor.

By Mr. Morse, a petition of the Massachusetts Con- Massachusetts
Constitutional
Prohibitory
Committee.
stitutional Prohibitory Committee for a constitutional
amendment to prohibit the manufacture or sale of alco-
holic liquors as a beverage ;

To the committee on the Liquor Law.

By Mr. Jones of Berkshire, a petition of the Greylock Greylock Park
Association.
Park Association for authority to increase its capital stock,
and for other purposes ;

To the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

By Mr. Emerson, a petition of George W. Ladd and George W.
Ladd et al.
others, a committee of the town of Bradford, for such
additional legislation as may be required relative to the
construction of a foot-walk on the railroad bridge between
the city of Haverhill and the town of Bradford ;

To the committee on Roads and Bridges.

By Mr. Jones of Essex, a petition of the Saint Mary's St. Mary's
Catholic Total
Abstinence So-
ciety.
Catholic Total Abstinence Society for exemption of its
property from taxation ;

To the committee on Taxation.

C. J. Burget et
als.

By Mr. Joyner, a petition of C. J. Burget and others, and by Mr. Norris, a petition of Samuel Camp and others, for legislation authorizing the election of a board of commissioners of sidewalks and sewers in the Great Barrington Fire District ;

Severally to the committee on Towns.

Turner's Falls
Company.

By Mr. Gunn, a petition of the Turner's Falls Company for authority to furnish the town of Montague with water for the extinguishment of fires and for domestic and other purposes ;

F. A. Hobart
et als.

By Mr. Morse, a petition of F. A. Hobart and others, that the town of Braintree be authorized to grant to a private corporation the right to take water from Great Pond, so called (with instructions to hear the parties after due notice) ;

Severally to the committee on Water Supply.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Boston.

By Mr. Naphen, a petition of Eugene Tappan and others in aid of the petition for increasing the jurisdiction of the constables of the city of Boston ;

To the committee on the Judiciary.

Orders Adopted.

On motion of Mr. Wilbur, —

Ibid.

Ordered, That the committee on Cities consider the expediency of so amending chapter 178 of the Acts of the year 1885 as to exclude the county tax in determining the amount of tax which can be assessed on the property in the city of Boston.

On motion of Mr. Lilley, —

Auditor of
Accounts.

Ordered, That the committee on Expenditures consider the expediency of authorizing the Auditor of Accounts to continue on his pay-roll one of his clerks who, after nearly thirty years of faithful service, is now confined in a lunatic asylum and cannot long survive.

On motion of Mr. Walker, —

Insurance.

Ordered, That the committee on Insurance consider the expediency of revising the statutes of the Commonwealth relating to insurance.

On motion of Mr. Joyner, —

Ibid.

Ordered, That the committee on Insurance consider the expediency of prohibiting the issuing of tontine or semi-

tontine, or any other form of forfeitable life insurance policies within this Commonwealth or to citizens thereof.

On motion of Mr. Jones of Essex, —

Ordered, That the committee on Prisons consider the expediency of authorizing and requiring the county commissioners of Franklin County to build a new jail and house of correction in said county, and the expediency of repealing so much of chapter 117 of the Acts of the year 1884 as authorizes the said commissioners to borrow money to alter and enlarge the present prison building.

On motion of Mr. Harlow, —

Ordered, That the committee on Public Health consider the expediency of amending chapter 263 of the Acts of the year 1882 by providing that the word or term "food," as used in said chapter, shall include confectionery and condiments, or otherwise to amend so that the same shall prevent the adulteration of such articles.

On motion of Mr. Reed, —

Ordered, That the committee on Public Service consider the expediency of increasing the annual compensation of the county commissioners of Bristol, so that the compensation thereof shall be, according to their services, equal to the compensation of the county commissioners in the other counties of the Commonwealth.

On motion of Mr. Scott, —

Ordered, That the committee on Railroads consider the expediency of amending section 169 of chapter 112 of the Public Statutes, so that all its provisions shall apply to passenger as well as to freight trains;

Also the expediency of legislation providing that no railroad shall use any grade crossing in any city of this Commonwealth in making up its freight or passenger trains.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

On motion of Mr. Naphen, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of such legislation as shall provide for a change in the trial of truants and absentees from school, and the keeping of a separate docket for the trial of said cases.

On motion of Mr. Alger, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of amending chapter 72 of the Public

Statutes relating to public warehouse receipts, as follows:—

In section 5 of that act, after the words “every such warehouseman shall,” add the words “when requested in writing thereto,” and at the end of said section add the following words: “*Provided*, however, that every such warehouseman, upon request of any person depositing property with him for storage, may issue his non-negotiable receipt therefor, which receipt shall have the words ‘not negotiable’ plainly written, printed, or stamped upon the face thereof, and the title to the property covered by such non-negotiable receipt shall pass only by transfer upon the books of the warehouseman issuing said receipt”;

Also of amending section 6 of said act, in the third line, by adding after the word “warehouseman’s” the word “negotiable.”

On motion of Mr. Alger,—

Insolvents.

Ordered, That the committee on Probate and Insolvency consider the expediency of amending section 93 of chapter 157 of the Public Statutes by inserting after the word “has” in the sixth line of said section the following: “In contemplation of becoming an insolvent under this act.”

On motion of Mr. Joyner,—

Wills.

Ordered, That the committee on Probate and Insolvency consider the expediency of prohibiting all implied revocation of wills or of modifying the common law concerning the revocation of wills.

Papers from the House.

Referred to committees:

Nantucket.

A bill to permit the sheriff of the county of Nantucket to retain to his own use all fees received by him for the service of processes was read and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

State Prison.

A bill making appropriations for salaries and expenses at the State Prison, Massachusetts Reformatory, the Reformatory Prison for Women, and for expenses in connection therewith, was read and referred to the committee on the Treasury.

The following papers were severally referred in concurrence:—

A petition of John W. Porter of Danvers and 215 others, that said town may be set off from the jurisdiction of the First District Court of Essex; and John W. Porter et al.

A petition of John H. Towne and others of Topsfield, that said town may be set off from the jurisdiction of the First District Court of Essex County; John H. Towne et al.

Severally to the joint committee on the Judiciary.

A petition of John E. Russell and others for an amendment to the dog law; John E. Russell et al.

A petition of William H. Hunt and others for an act of incorporation as the Concord Creamery Company; and William H. Hunt.

A petition of William C. Strong and Francis H. Appleton, a committee of the American Forestry Congress, for legislation for the encouragement of forest growth in New England; William C. Strong et al.

Severally to the committee on Agriculture.

A petition (taken from the files of last year) of the city council of the city of New Bedford for legislation relative to the division of said city into seven or nine wards; New Bedford.

To the committee on Cities.

A petition of the selectmen of Ludlow for reimbursement for money paid for the support of a State pauper; Ludlow.

A petition of Brewster, Cobb & Estabrook for indemnification for loss sustained in the sale of the New York and New England Railroad Company's bonds; and Brewster, Cobb and Estabrook.

A petition of Thomas J. Cannon and others, officers of the State Workhouse at Bridgewater, for compensation for losses of clothing and other property by fire in 1883; Thomas J. Cannon.

Severally to the committee on Claims.

A petition of the president and officers of the Worcester County Free Institute of Industrial Science for an appropriation from the State; Worcester County Free Institute.

To the committee on Education.

A petition of C. C. Coffin and others for the enactment of a law to provide for the election of school committee upon separate ballots; C. C. Coffin et al.

To the committee on Election Laws.

A resolution relative to the Indian policy of the United States; Indian policy.

To the committee on Federal Relations.

- Great Ponds.** Petitions of
 Amos E. Rollins and others ;
 Alex. B. Bruce and others ;
 William Barrows and others ;
 Noah Hammond and others ;
 Frank N. Harriman and others ; and
 N. H. Poor and others, severally for legislation relative to the cancellation of leases of great ponds, where the conditions of the leases have not been complied with. And
- Fishing.** A petition of Nathaniel Burgess and others, that the use of seines and nets be prohibited in the State waters of Buzzard's Bay ;
 Severally to the committee on Fisheries and Game.
- E. G. Brown et als.** A petition of E. G. Brown of Boston for authority to build and maintain a bridge across Swift's Narrows in the town of Wareham ;
 To the committee on Harbors and Public Lands.
- Lynn.** A petition of the mayor of Lynn for legislation to prevent the convict labor of the Commonwealth from being brought into unfair competition with free labor by the contract system ;
 To the committee on Labor.
- Intoxicating Liquors.** A petition of John W. Tyler and others for the enactment of a law to abolish the sale or exposure for sale, of spirituous or malt liquors in the grocery stores throughout the Commonwealth ;
 To the committee on the Liquor Law.
- Boston Tow-boat Company.** A petition of the Boston Towboat Company for amendment of its charter so as to increase its capital stock ;
 To the committee on Mercantile Affairs.
- Thomas F. Doherty et als.** A petition of Thomas F. Doherty and others for incorporation as the Montgomery Light Guard Veteran Association ;
 To the committee on Military Affairs.
- Joseph H. Ladd.** A petition of Joseph H. Ladd, clerk of the First District Court of Southern Middlesex, for an increase of salary ;
- Haynes H. Chilson.** A petition of Haynes H. Chilson, clerk of the District Court of Hampshire, for an increase of salary ;
- F. A. Harris.** A petition of F. A. Harris, M. D., medical examiner for Suffolk County, Northern District, for an increase of salary ; and

A petition of Edward W. Cate for an increase of the salary of clerk of the police court of Newton; Edward W. Cate.

Severally to the committee on Public Service.

A petition of the Onset Bay Grove Association, by its agents, that the acts of the Plymouth County commissioners, in laying out a highway through its land, may be annulled; and Onset Bay Grove Association.

A petition of the selectmen of the town of Chicopee, and 800 others of Holyoke and Chicopee, for a free bridge across the Connecticut River; Chicopee, — Holyoke.

Severally to the committee on Roads and Bridges.

A petition of Gilbert Lincoln and others in favor of the division of the town of Medford; Medford.

A bill to authorize the town of Dedham to raise money for the celebration of the two hundred and fiftieth anniversary of its incorporation; and Dedham.

A petition of J. L. Worthy and others, that the town of West Springfield be annexed to the city of Springfield; West Springfield.

Severally to the committee on Towns.

A petition of the mayor of Fall River for an amendment to chapter 133, of the Acts of the year 1871, for supplying the city of Fall River with pure water; Fall River.

To the committee on Water Supply.

The following House orders were severally adopted in concurrence : —

Ordered, That the joint committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of further legislation for the purpose of quieting titles to real estate and to provide for the judicial determination of all rights, interests and claims in or to the same. Titles to real estate.

Ordered, That the joint committee on Judiciary consider the expediency of legislation to limit and regulate the power of imposing restraints upon the use or alienation of real estate and to define the rights and remedies of all persons interested in conditions, restrictions or easements affecting real estate, whether heretofore or hereafter created, and of all persons interested in the estate thereby affected. Real Estate.

Ordered, That the same committee consider the expediency of legislation calculated to secure to road commissioners elected in towns, a more permanent tenure of office. Road Commissioners.

Savings Banks. *Ordered,* That the committee on Banks and Banking consider the expediency of further legislation concerning savings banks and institutions for savings.

Boston. *Ordered,* That the committee on Cities consider the expediency of dividing the city of Boston into aldermanic districts, provided such division is not made by the city council of said city prior to the first day of April, 1886.

Ordered, That the committee on Cities consider the expediency of repealing the law providing for the election of aldermen in the city of Boston by districts.

Winslow W. Avery. *Ordered,* That the committee on Claims consider the expediency of reimbursing Winslow W. Avery for money expended by him for the benefit of the State at a sale of printing material belonging to the State in 1882.

Voters, Qualifications of. *Ordered,* That the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of legislation in relation to the qualifications of voters in municipal elections.

Constitutional Convention. *Ordered,* That the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of a call for a State convention to examine all methods of voting for representation, with a view to propose to the people, with any other amendment it may see fit, an amendment to the Constitution in regard to voting for senators and representatives, so as to provide for a more equal representation of the people in the General Court.

Ballot Boxes. *Ordered,* That the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of extending the provisions of section 10 of chapter 299 of the Acts of the year 1884, so as to authorize additions to, and improvements and alterations in, the ballot-boxes provided by the Commonwealth, the expense thereof to be paid out of the treasury of the Commonwealth.

Ballots. *Ordered,* That the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of legislation in reference to the distributing of ballots at the different polling places in the Commonwealth on election days.

Birds. *Ordered,* That the committee on Fisheries and Game consider the expediency of legislation for the better preservation of useful and singing birds and game birds.

Insurance Policies. *Ordered,* That the committee on Insurance consider the expediency of legislation changing the form of Massachu-

setts standard policy so that refined petroleum, kerosene or coal oil may be used for certain domestic purposes.

Ordered, That the committee on Liquor Law consider the expediency of legislation relative to providing that liquor licenses shall not terminate on the death of the licensee, but shall belong to the legal representatives of the deceased. Intoxicating
Liquors.

Ordered, That the committee on the Liquor Law be instructed to obtain from the State Assayer a record of the analyses made by him during the year 1885 of samples of liquor, pursuant to the provisions of chapter 99 of the Acts of the year 1875, and report the same; said record to contain the names and business location of the dealers from whom the samples are taken, and the results of the analyses in each case. Ibid.

Ordered, That the committee on the Liquor Law consider the expediency of amending section 12, of chapter 100 of the Public Statutes, so as to prevent the granting of licenses in underground premises. Ibid.

Ordered, That the committee on the Liquor Law consider the expediency of repealing chapter 359 of the Acts of the year 1885, concerning the disposition of cases for violation of laws relating to the sale of intoxicating liquors. Ibid.

Ordered, That the committee on Mercantile Affairs consider the expediency of establishing uniform charges for the use of telephones and the telephone service of the American Bell and other telephone companies, and further that the said committee consider the expediency of placing said companies under the control of the Railroad Commissioners. American Bell
and other
Telephone Com-
panies.

Ordered, That the committee on Public Charitable Institutions consider the expediency of amending the pauper laws and simplifying the conditions of the settlement of paupers in this Commonwealth. Pauper laws.

Ordered, That the committee on Public Health consider the expediency of legislation to secure the proper ventilation and cleanliness of stables and drainage used in the care and housing of cows whose milk is intended for public sale, so that such milk may be pure and wholesome. Cow stables, —
ventilation, etc.,
of.

Ordered, That the committee on Public Health consider the expediency of amending existing laws in relation to the inspection and sale of milk, and more especially in MILK.

order that pure and unadulterated milk may not be excluded from the market.

Ice.

Ordered, That the committee on Public Health consider the expediency of legislation to prevent the sale of ice taken from any pond or stream into which sewage, drainage or polluting matter is discharged.

Adjutant-General.

Ordered, That the committee on Public Service consider the expediency of increasing the salaries of the Adjutant-General and the chief clerk in the Adjutant-General's department.

Hampden County.

Ordered, That the committee on Public Service consider the expediency of the increase of the salary of the judge of probate and insolvency for the county of Hampden.

Railroad Commissioners.

Ordered, That the committee on Railroads consider the expediency of amending chapter 113 of the Public Statutes so as to constitute the Railroad Commissioners a board of appeal in the matter of the location and in regulating and permitting the use of motive power.

Railroads.

Ordered, That the committee on Railroads consider the expediency of legislation to compel railroads to carry members of the General Court free of charge.

State Departments.

Ordered, That the committee on State House consider the expediency of providing better accommodations for any of the departments or bureaus of the State government.

Corporations.

Ordered, That the committee on Taxation consider the expediency of amending the laws relative to the taxation of the franchise and capital stock of corporations organized in the Commonwealth to construct and operate railways in foreign countries.

New Bedford, Vineyard and Nantucket Steamboat Company, etc.

The Orders of the Day were taken up and the bill to authorize the union of the New Bedford, Vineyard and Nantucket Steamboat Company and the Nantucket and Cape Cod Steamboat Company, was read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, February 3, 1886.

Met according to adjournment.

On motion of Mr. Jones of Berkshire the vote by which the petition of the Greylock Park Association for authority to increase its capital stock, and for other purposes, was referred to the committee on Mercantile Affairs, was reconsidered, and the same was referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Greylock Park Association.

Mr. Douglas, on leave, introduced a bill to provide for a board of arbitration for the settlement of differences between employers and their employees, and the same was read and referred to the committee on Labor.

Board of arbitration.

Mr. Howland, on leave, introduced a bill to amend an act to incorporate the Temporary Asylum for Discharged Female Prisoners, and the same was read and referred to the committee on Public Charitable Institutions.

Discharged Female Prisoners.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Petitions, etc., were presented and referred as follows : —

By Mr. Emerson, certain resolutions of the Essex County Agricultural Society in relation to the further protection of woodlands ;

Essex County Agricultural Society.

By Mr. Gleason, a petition of Francis L. Capen, acting officer and computer for the original American and now Cosmopolitan Meteorological Society, for a grant from the Commonwealth for said society ;

Francis L. Capen.

Severally to the committee on Agriculture.

By Mr. Douglas, a petition of Wales B. Thayer for the better regulation of savings banks ;

Wales B. Thayer.

By Mr. Dunbar, a petition of the Springfield Safe Deposit and Trust Company for an amendment of its charter ;

Springfield Safe Deposit and Trust Co.

Severally to the committee on Banks and Banking.

By Mr. Wilbur, a petition of William Washburn for compensation for services performed, as architect upon the State House in the year 1878 ;

William Washburn.

By Mr. Gould, a petition of Delette H. Hall for the payment of a bounty from the State on account of military service in the war of the rebellion ;

Delette H. Hall

By Mr. Joslin, a petition of John Daley for reimbursement of expenses incurred in the case of Rogers Amero ;

John Daley.

- W. L. Chipman.** By Mr. Howland, a petition of William L. Chipman for the payment of certain moneys alleged to be due him ;
Severally to the committee on Claims.
- Drainage Commission.** By Mr. Kendricken, a petition of the members of the Commission on the Metropolitan System of Drainage for the establishment of the compensation of said members and for other purposes ;
To the committee on Drainage.
- Jabez Fisher.** By Mr. Nourse, a petition of Jabez Fisher, that convicted criminals may be debarred from voting or holding public office ;
To the committee on Election Laws.
- Great Ponds.** By Mr. Norris, a petition of Thomas D. Sears and others respecting the cancellation of the leases of great ponds ;
To the committee on Fisheries and Game.
- Boston Marine Insurance Co.** By Mr. Norris, a petition of the Boston Marine Insurance Company for an extension of its powers ;
To the committee on Insurance.
- J. J. Whipple et alia.** By Mr. Douglas, a petition of John J. Whipple and 2,209 others of Brockton, for the better protection of life and property, and that engineers employed in factories and manufacturing establishments, etc., be required to pass an examination and be licensed ;
To the committee on Manufactures.
- American Bell Telephone Co.** By Mr. Lilley, a petition of F. W. Stickney and others that the right of the American Bell Telephone Company to hold stock in other telephone companies may be limited ;
- Knitted Carpet-Lining Co.** By Mr. Morse, a petition of the Knitted Carpet-Lining Company for a change of name ;
- Real Estate Improvement Company.** By Mr. Emerson, a petition of the Real Estate Improvement Company for authority to do business and hold real estate in this Commonwealth ;
- American Bell Telephone Co.** By Mr. Lilley, a petition of S. E. Tweed and others, severally, that the right of the American Bell Telephone Company to take stock in other telephone companies may be limited ;
- N. E. Commercial Travellers' Association.** By Mr. Wilbur, a petition of the New England Commercial Travellers' Association for authority to accumulate a reserve fund ;
- G. H. Harrington.** By Mr. Lilley, a petition of G. H. Harrington and others, for legislation defining the rights of telegraph and

telephone companies to maintain poles and lines of wire in highways ;

Severally to the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

By Mr. Scott, a petition of Walter M. Brown for compensation for injuries received while in the military service of the Commonwealth ;

Walter M.
Brown.

By Mr. Lilley, a petition of Patrick Corr for the payment of arrearages alleged to be due him for services in the army of the United States ;

Patrick Corr.

Severally to the committee on Military Affairs.

By Mr. Alger, a petition of Richard Eddy and another for an amendment of the charter of the Massachusetts Universalist Convention ;

Richard Eddy
et al.

To the committee on Parishes and Religious Societies.

By Mr. Wilbur, a petition of Jarvis D. Braman, that the Eastern Railroad Company may be authorized to retire its certificates of indebtedness ;

Jarvis D.
Braman.

By Mr. Jefferson, a petition of the Fitchburg Railroad Company for the abolition of the grade crossings of the Vermont and Massachusetts and the Connecticut River Railroads ;

Fitchburg R. R.
Co.

By the same Senator, a petition of same company that the city of Cambridge may be authorized to carry out its agreement with said company relative to North Avenue bridge in said city.

Ibid.

By Mr. Scott, a petition of H. K. Osborn, that the obstruction caused by the Boston and Maine Railroad on Causeway Street, in the city of Boston, may be removed ;

H. K. Osborn.

By Mr. Norris, a petition of the Central Massachusetts Railroad Company for an amendment of its charter ;

Central Mass.
R. R. Co.

Severally to the committee on Railroads.

By Mr. Milliken, a petition of Thomas H. Bacon and others for incorporation as the California Cable Railway Company ;

Thomas H.
Bacon et al.

To the committee on Street Railways.

By Mr. Morse, a memorial of the National Woman Suffrage Association that the legislature of Massachusetts may recommend the passage of the resolution now before Congress providing that the right of citizens of the United States to vote shall not be denied or abridged by the United States or by any State on account of sex ;

Woman
Suffrage.

To the committee on Woman Suffrage.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

W. S. Wiley
et al.

By Mr. Murphy, a petition of W. S. and George O. Wiley and Joseph Dickson, that the city of Boston may be authorized to pay certain alleged claims against said city ;

To the committee on the Judiciary.

S. E. Sewall
et al.

A petition of S. E. Sewall and others for further legislation to protect married women in their rights of property, and relating to conveyances between husband and wife and to the rights of husbands in the estate of wives at their decease, was taken from the files of last year and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Orders Adopted.

On motion of Mr. Hayes, —
Boston. *Ordered*, That the committee on Cities consider the expediency of repealing chapter 250 of the Acts of the year 1884 relative to the division of the city of Boston into twelve aldermanic districts, and that the committee consider the expediency of legislation providing that the aldermen of said city be elected at large by the legal voters of said city.

On motion of Mr. Harlow, —
Evening Schools. *Ordered*, That the committee on Education consider the expediency of legislation providing for appropriations for evening schools and regulating attendance thereat.

On motion of Mr. Harlow, —
Illiterate Minors. *Ordered*, That the committee on Education consider the expediency of the compulsory education of illiterate minors.

On motion of Mr. Cogswell, —
Evening High Schools. *Ordered*, That the committee on Education consider the expediency of further legislation providing for the establishment of evening high schools in the city of Boston and other cities of the Commonwealth.

On motion of Mr. Hayes, —
Public Schools. *Ordered*, That the committee on Education consider the expediency of legislation providing for the tenure of office of teachers.

On motion of Mr. Forbes, —

Ordered, That the committee on Expenditures consider the expediency of amending section 15 of chapter 2 of the Public Statutes by changing the mileage to be paid to members of the General Court, and of prohibiting the issue of free passes by railroads to members of the Senate and House of Representatives. General Court. mileage of members.

On motion of Mr. Howland, —

Ordered, That the committee on Fisheries and Game Oysters. consider the expediency of amending chapter 220 of the Acts of the year 1885 relating to licenses to plant, grow and dig oysters so as to prevent licenses being transferred by parties holding them to other parties without the consent of the selectmen ; also, to prevent licenses being held by parties who are not citizens of the town where the premises are situated ; also, to provide a further penalty for the violations of the oyster acts by parties holding licenses and to provide for the renewal of licenses so as to encourage the growing of oysters.

On motion of Mr. Norris, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Hoosac Tunnel Hoosac Tunnel, etc. and Troy and Greenfield Railroad consider the expediency of re-enacting chapter 297 of the Acts of the legislature for the year 1885, to promote the consolidation of the Troy and Greenfield Railroad and certain other railroads, with such amendments and additions thereto as may be deemed best, and for such other legislation as may tend to promote the interests of the Hoosac Tunnel, so called, and may be deemed expedient in relation thereto.

On motion of Mr. Morse, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Liquor Law consider the expediency of an Act to encourage the better enforcement of chapters 98, 99, 100 and 101 of the Public Statutes by local authorities, as follows : — Intoxicating Liquors.

SECTION 1. One half of all fines which may be imposed and collected by any court, under sections 4 and 14 of chapter 98, section 6 of chapter 99, sections 18 and 45 of chapter 100, and section 7 of chapter 101 of the Public Statutes, shall be paid into the treasury of the city or town instituting such prosecution.

SECT. 2. Such sum may be used, at the discretion of the mayor and aldermen of a city, or the selectmen of a town, to aid

in defraying any extra expenses which may have been incurred in securing the prosecution of the case.

SECT. 3. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

On motion of Mr. Morse, —

Intoxicating
Liquors.

Ordered, That the committee on the Liquor Law consider the expediency of providing that in cities and towns which vote to grant licenses to sell intoxicating liquors, no more than one license shall be granted for each five hundred of the inhabitants, and that the minimum fee for licenses of the first five classes shall be five hundred dollars.

On motion of Mr. Cogswell, —

Telephone Com-
panies.

Ordered, That the committee on Mercantile Affairs consider the expediency of providing by law that no telephone company shall charge to exceed three dollars per month where one telephone is used, nor more than two dollars and one-half per month where more than one is used by the same individual, firm or company, and fixing the fees for switching between towns and cities, etc., at fifteen cents for the first five minutes and five cents for each additional five minutes.

On motion of Mr. Alger, —

Militia.

Ordered, That the committee on Military Affairs consider the expediency of legislation providing that the commissions of all general and field officers with their respective staffs, with the exception of the staff of the commander-in-chief, now serving in the militia, and commissions of all line officers now in force shall continue not longer than five years from the date of the passage of any Act which may be passed, and that hereafter all officers of the militia shall be commissioned for the term of five years only, but that every officer shall be eligible to a re-election, and if so re-elected shall take rank according to the date of his first commission of the same grade.

On motion of Mr. Jones of Essex, —

Prisons.

Ordered, That the committee on Prisons be instructed to ascertain the kinds and total amount of clothing, boots, shoes, tinware, woodenware, furniture, etc., that are annually used in the several State and county institutions, and report thereon to the legislature.

On motion of Mr. Cogswell, —

Pay of mem-
bers.

Ordered, That the committee on Public Service consider

the expediency of further legislation in regard to the compensation of members of the present legislature.

On motion of Mr. Cogswell, —

Ordered, That the committee on Public Service consider Salaries. the expediency of such legislation as shall better equalize, whether by increase or otherwise, the salaries of the clerks of different grades of the several departments of the Commonwealth.

On motion of Mr. Scott, —

Ordered, That the committee on Public Service consider Sergeant-at-Arms. the expediency of providing by law that the officers and positions under the Sergeant-at-Arms shall be appointed like the employees in the executive departments under the Civil Service rules.

On motion of Mr. Scott, —

Ordered, That the committee on Railroads consider the Railroad Corporations. expediency of directing the Board of Railroad Commissioners to investigate the matter of payment of their employees by railroad corporations and report to the present session of the legislature.

On motion of Mr. Scott, —

Ordered, That the committee on Railroads consider the Telephone and Telegraph Companies. expediency of placing telephone and telegraph companies under such state supervision as will regulate their business and rates of charge.

On motion of Mr. Norris, —

Ordered, That the committee on Railroads consider the Safety Couplers. expediency of further legislation in regard to the use of safety couplers on freight cars.

On motion of Mr. Cogswell, —

Ordered, That the committee on Street Railways consider Boston. the expediency of transferring the present jurisdiction of the Board of Aldermen of the city of Boston over the location and use of railway tracks in the streets of said city to the Board of Railroad Commissioners, or of providing appellate jurisdiction as to such location and use of tracks in said Board of Railroad Commissioners, from order of said Board of Aldermen, with power to give hearings in the matter.

On motion of Mr. Alger, —

State and County Taxes.

Ordered, That the committee on Taxation consider the expediency of amending section 48 of chapter 11 of the Public Statutes relating to the assessment of state and county taxes upon polls, by striking out after the word "of" in the third line of said section, the words "one dollar," and inserting in their stead the words "ten cents."

Severally sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

On motion of Mr. Cogswell, —

Clerks of Courts.

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of such further legislation as may be necessary to regulate the fees of clerks of courts in all cases.

On motion of Mr. Cogswell, —

Persons and Property.

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of further legislation for the better protection of persons and property.

On motion of Mr. Dunbar, —

Clerks of Court.

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of authorizing a clerk of any court in one county to issue, by order of court, process in cases pending in other counties.

On motion of Mr. Dunbar, —

Contempt of Court.

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of legislation relative to the punishment for contempt of court in proceedings in equity.

On motion of Mr. Harlow, —

Boston.

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider and report whether any legislation is necessary on account of the change of ward boundaries by the city of Boston, in order that the voters in the different Congressional Districts may be able to cast their votes for Representatives in Congress.

On motion of Mr. Hayes, —

Fire Marshal, etc.

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of amending the statutes relating to fire inquests, chapter 216 of the Public Statutes, so that it shall provide for the appointment of a fire-marshal or fire-corer.

On motion of Mr. Napheu, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider Prisoners. the expediency of amending section 9 of chapter 222 of the Public Statutes so that any prisoner shall not be obliged to attend any religious service or instruction against which he has any conscientious objection.

On motion of Mr. Napheu, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider Truants and Neglected Children. the expediency of amending the law relative to truants and neglected children so that they shall not be confined in or committed to, any institution where any person is or shall be confined for any crime except truancy.

On motion of Mr. Napheu, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider Opium. the expediency of amending chapter 73 of the Acts of the year 1885 relative to the sale and use of opium.

On motion of Mr. Scott, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider Courts. the expediency of further legislation relative to the courts of the Commonwealth and the practice in said courts.

On motion of Mr. Alger, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider Fuel for Prisons, etc. the expediency of amending section 57 of chapter 220 of the Public Statutes by inserting after the word "furnish" in the first line of said section the following, "under the direction of the county commissioners and",

Also to consider the expediency of legislation providing Supplies for Courts. that the county commissioners of the several counties of the Commonwealth shall be required to furnish and purchase, at the expense of the county they represent, all necessary supplies for the several courts situated in the county, including district and police courts in said county.

On motion of Mr. Alger, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider Bastardy Process. the expediency of further legislation by providing that any person when arrested upon bastardy process may, instead of giving a bond with securities, give his personal recognizance to any magistrate now authorized by law to approve the bond now required in such cases by the Public Statutes, secured by a deposit of money equal to the

Bonds.

penal sum required in said bond, such recognizance to run to the party complainant, and the deposit so made to be given to the clerk of the court before which the case is pending, to abide the final order of the court therein.

Meane Process.

On motion of Mr. Lilley, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of so amending chapter 162 of the Public Statutes relating to arrest, imprisonment and discharge on mesne process, and execution as to enable persons arrested under the provisions of said chapter to procure and give bail with greater facility.

Papers from the House.

The following papers were severally referred in concurrence : —

Chas. J. Noyes
et als.

A petition of Charles J. Noyes and others for the establishment of a court to hear matters relating to the arrest, imprisonment and discharge of poor debtors in Suffolk County ;

To the joint committee on the Judiciary.

Edward W.
Lincoln et als.

A petition of Edward W. Lincoln and others for the establishment of an Arbor Day ;

To the committee on Agriculture.

Malden.

A petition of the mayor of Malden for an amendment to the city charter abolishing the office of alderman-at-large, and the re-division of the city into seven wards ;

To the committee on Cities.

Erastus Worth-
ington et als.

A petition of Erastus Worthington and others, that the Dedham Historical Society may be authorized to hold additional real and personal estate ;

To the committee on Education.

Ballots.

A Bill regulating the distribution of ballots at elections in cities ;

To the committee on Election Laws.

Israel H. Hatch
et als.

A petition of Israel H. Hatch and others for an amendment to chapter 44 of the Acts of the year 1881 regulating the taking of fish in North River in Plymouth County.

Blue Fish in
Wellfleet Bay.

A remonstrance of B. S. Young and others against the passage of any act to prohibit the taking of bluefish by seines or nets within the waters of Wellfleet Bay ; and

Petitions of

John F. Dore and others ;

Great Ponds.

Lyman Gerry and others ; and

C. W. Hunt and others, — severally, for legislation relative to the cancellation of leases of great ponds where the condition of such leases have not been complied with.

Severally to the committee on Fisheries and Game.

The Annual report of the Board of Harbor and Land Commissioners.

Harbor and Land Commissioners.

To the committee on Harbors and Public Lands.

A petition of Charles F. Tarbox and others for the enactment of a law to abolish the sale or exposure for sale of spirituous or malt liquors in the grocery stores of the Commonwealth.

Intoxicating Liquors.

To the committee on the Liquor Law.

A petition of Sophie S. Coffin of Somerville for State aid ;

Sophie S. Coffin.

A petition of the selectmen of Stoughton and others in aid of the petition of Julia Carroll for State aid ;

Julia Carroll.

A petition of the selectmen of Stoughton and others in aid of the petition of Rebekah G. Dyer for State aid ;

Rebekah G. Dyer.

A petition of Charles H. Baker and others, soldiers who served in the First Battalion Mass. Volunteers (Heavy Artillery, Co. A), asking that they be paid a bounty ;

Charles H. Baker.

A petition of James H. Willey for compensation for injuries received in the year 1861, while under military orders, and also for an annuity ;

James H. Willey.

A petition of N. J. Downing and others for compensation for military service rendered in the year 1861 ;

N. J. Downing et als.

A petition of Owen McAuliff for compensation for injuries sustained through the carelessness of the First Corps Cadets, M. V. M., while engaged in rifle practice at Hingham ;

Owen McAuliff.

Severally to the committee on Military Affairs.

A petition of the Massachusetts Charitable Eye and Ear Infirmary for an appropriation of \$15,000 ;

Mass. Charitable Eye and Ear Infirmary.

A petition of Lemira C. Pennell for an investigation of the acts of certain officials of the State Board of Health, Lunacy and Charity in the year 1883, in endeavoring to cause her to be detained in a lunatic hospital ;

Lemira C. Pennell.

Severally to the committee on Public Charitable Institutions.

- Tobacco.** Petitions of
 Nathaniel Wales and others ;
 Alonzo French and others ;
 George L. Newcomb and others ; and
 Charles Pike and others, severally, for legislation prohibiting the selling or giving away of tobacco in any form to a minor ;
 To the committee on Public Health.
- W. H. Niles et als.** A petition of W. H. Niles and others, that the salary of the judge of the police court of Lynn may be increased ;
- Samuel Utley.** A petition of Samuel Utley, judge of the Central District Court of Worcester, for increase of salary ; and
- Municipal Court, Charlestown.** A petition of the constables of the municipal court of the Charlestown district for an increase of salary ; severally,
 To the committee on Public Service.
- Levi C. Wade.** A petition of Levi C. Wade for legislation relative to the taxation of the capital stock of corporations chartered in this Commonwealth to build railways in foreign countries ;
 To the committee on Taxation.
- Deerfield and Sunderland.** A petition of the selectmen of Deerfield and Sunderland for legislation relative to the investment of certain money received from the sale of the Sunderland Bridge toll-house property, etc. ;
- Wellfleet.** A petition of the selectmen of the town of Wellfleet and others, for legislation establishing the boundary line between the tide waters of Wellfleet and Eastham ; and
- J. T. Wilson.** A petition of J. T. Wilson for such legislation as will enable the town of Nahant to appropriate and raise by taxation, a sum of money to be expended towards defraying the expenses of a steam ferry to run between Boston and Nahant ; severally,
 To the committee on Towns.
- Northampton.** A bill to authorize the city of Northampton to renew a portion of its water bonds ;
 To the committee on Water Supply.
- Woman Suffrage.** A petition of Mary O. Stevens and others, of Peabody, for the enactment of a law enabling women to vote in all town and municipal elections.
 To the committee on Woman Suffrage.
- The following House Orders were severally adopted in concurrence : —

Ordered, That the joint committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of providing for the collection of the judicial statistics of the Commonwealth; also of statistics of divorces prior to the year 1860. Judicial statistics.

Ordered, That the committee on Agriculture consider the expediency of amending section 94 of chapter 102 of the Public Statutes by striking out the following words at close of said section, namely: "worrying, wounding or killing neat cattle, sheep or lambs." Dogs.

Ordered, That the committee on Agriculture consider the expediency of legislation for the better protection of persons and property from dogs found strolling without care of their owners or keepers. Ibid.

Ordered, That the committee on Agriculture consider the expediency of amending the laws in regard to contagious diseases among cattle, horses and other domestic animals. Cattle Diseases.

Ordered, That the committee on Banks and Banking consider the expediency of legislation requiring of savings banks a system of accounts and the keeping of a record of deposits and of certain facts pertaining to depositors, so that a comprehensive knowledge may be obtained of the amount and sums deposited by the wage workers of the State. Savings Banks.

Ordered, That the committee on Banks and Banking consider the expediency of amending section 40 of chapter 116 of the Public Statutes so as to require the treasurers of savings banks to report to the Commissioners of Savings Banks the names of certain depositors. Ibid.

Ordered, That the committee on Cities consider the expediency of such legislation as shall enable cities and towns to apply their existing sinking funds towards the liquidation of their funded debts, and to issue their bonds for the funding and payment of the remainder of said debts for a period of not exceeding by twenty years the limit already provided by law. City and Town Sinking Funds.

Ordered, That the committee on Education consider the expediency of legislation providing for the election of school committees on a separate ballot, and also for the election of the same in cities by districts. School Committees.

- Naturalization.** *Ordered,* That the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of extending the jurisdiction of police, district and municipal courts in receiving applications for primary and final applications for naturalization from persons residing outside of the district of such police, district and municipal courts, and in the same county, and not residing within the district of other police, district and municipal courts.
- Great Ponds.** *Ordered,* That the committee on Fisheries and Game ascertain whether the lessees of great ponds have fulfilled the requirements of the law in regard to making returns to the State, and report the same, together with such legislation, if any, as they may deem necessary.
- Ibid.** *Ordered,* That the committee on Harbors and Public Lands consider the expediency of legislation relative to lands of the Commonwealth situate in great ponds or elsewhere, for the care, lease or disposition of which no provision is now made by law.
- Harbors and Public Lands.** *Ordered,* That the committee on Harbors and Public Lands be authorized to visit such places as they may deem necessary in the discharge of their duties.
- Probate Courts.** *Ordered,* That the committee on Insurance consider the expediency of allowing judges of probate courts to make the premiums paid fidelity insurance companies acting as surety on probate bonds, a charge on the respective estates.
- Tenants at will.** *Ordered,* That the committee on Insurance consider the expediency of such legislation as will make tenants at will liable for damages from fire caused by their carelessness.
- Rules of the two branches.** *Ordered,* That the committee on Rules consider the expediency of reporting for the use of the General Court a rule substantially as follows :— Persons seeking for changes in the existing law of the Commonwealth, whether by repeal or amendment thereof, or by the enactment of new laws, shall submit to the committees to which said matters are referred a written draft of the proposed changes before said committees shall be required to hear the parties interested therein.
- Bureau of Statistics of Labor.** *Ordered,* That the committee on Labor consider the expediency of reporting a law requiring manufacturing cor-

porations to make an annual statement to the chief of the labor bureau of the number of persons injured in their employment, the extent of their injuries and the cause.

Ordered, That the committee on Labor consider the expediency of legislation to require manufacturing corporations and manufacturers to provide the pulleys that drive the shafting on each floor of the buildings in which their employees are at work with a clutch or friction coupling attachment, to be moved by a lever, to the end that the shafting may instantly be stopped in case of accident.

Manufacturing
corporations.

Ordered, That the committee on Labor consider the expediency of legislation regarding the infliction of fines and penalties by, and the forfeiture of wages to, corporations.

Wages.

Ordered, That the committee on Mercantile Affairs consider the expediency of a revision of chapter 63 of the Public Statutes of Massachusetts in regard to the survey and sale of lumber, so as to provide for a clearer definition of the law, and for the purpose of establishing a greater uniformity in the inspection.

Lumber.

Ordered, That the committee on Military Affairs consider the expediency of amending section 164, chapter 14 of the Public Statutes, relating to the militia, with reference to the construction of the words "soldier" and "company," by inserting between the words "include" and "battery," in the third and fourth lines of said section, the words "the signal corps, ambulance corps and," so that as amended the word "company" shall include the signal corps and battery.

Militia.

Ordered, That the committee on Printing consider the expediency of such legislation as may be necessary requiring the Secretary of the Commonwealth to furnish the clerks of cities and towns with copies of acts and resolves immediately upon their passage.

Acts and
Resolves of the
General Court.

Ordered, That the committee on Prisons consider the expediency of further legislation in relation to the commitment of vagrants and tramps.

Vagrants and
tramps.

Ordered, That the committee on Prisons consider the expediency of providing for the support, at the Temporary Asylum for Discharged Female Prisoners at Dedham, of

Discharged
Female
Prisoners.

women charged with crime, whose cases are disposed of without sentence.

Holyoke. *Ordered,* That the committee on Public Service consider the expediency of increasing the salary of the justice of the police court of the city of Holyoke.

Springfield. *Ordered,* That the committee on Public Service consider the expediency of increasing the salary of the clerk of the police court of Springfield.

County Commissioners. *Ordered,* That the committee on Public Service consider the expediency of further legislation providing for the payment of mileage and actual expenses incurred by the county commissioners of the several counties, when called beyond the borders of their respective counties on business relating to their respective counties.

S. P. Sharples. *Ordered,* That the committee on Public Service consider the expediency of increasing the salary of S. P. Sharples, State Assayer.

Railroads. *Ordered,* That the committee on Railroads consider the expediency of legislation to facilitate the transportation of freight on railroads on the Lord's Day.

Double taxation. *Ordered,* That the committee on Taxation consider the expediency of legislation relative to the repeal of the law to prevent double taxation in certain cases.

Assessors. *Ordered,* That the committee on Taxation consider the expediency of requiring assessors to state in addition to the particulars now required in their returns to the Secretary of the Commonwealth: 1. The total number of tax-payers. 2. The total value of buildings, exclusive of land. 3. The total value of land, exclusive of buildings.

Town Auditor. *Ordered,* That the committee on Towns consider the expediency of establishing the office of auditor in towns and defining the duties thereof.

John M. Berry. The Senate refused to receive the House petition of John M. Berry for a law by which State loans may be made to workingmen to build homes with, said loans to be similar to State loans heretofore made to railroad men to build their railroads and make money with, and the same was returned to the House.

Bill Enacted.

An engrossed bill making appropriations for the maintenance of the judicial departments of the government during the present year (which originated in the House) passed to be enacted and was laid before the Governor for his approval.

Bill enacted
and to Gov-
ernor.

Mr. Scott, from the committee on Education, on the order relative to so amending chapter 224 of the Acts of the year 1883 as to give to school boards discretionary power to permit the employment of a child under twelve years of age, when in their opinion the public good will be advanced thereby, reported that it is inexpedient to legislate thereon, and the report was read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow.

Children, em-
ployment of.

The Orders of the Day were taken up and the Bills

To provide further assistance for the two branches of the legislature ;

General Court.

To permit clerks of courts to imprint fac-similes of their signatures upon certain processes issued by them ;

Clerks of
Courts.

Making appropriations for certain educational expenses ;

Appropriations.

Making appropriations for salaries and expenses at the State Primary School at Monson ;

Making appropriations for salaries and expenses at the Lyman School for Boys ;

Making appropriations for salaries and expenses at the State Industrial School for Girls ; and the

Resolve authorizing the Treasurer and Receiver-General to borrow money in anticipation of revenue, were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Treasurer and
Receiver-
General.

The resolve providing for printing extra copies of the report of the Commission on Drainage, was read a second time, amended, as proposed by the committee on the Treasury, and ordered to a third reading.

Report of Com-
mission on
Drainage.

The House bill to authorize the union of the New Bedford, Vineyard and Nantucket Steamboat Company and the Nantucket and Cape Cod Steamboat Company, was read a third time, amended upon motion of the committee on Bills in the Third Reading and passed to be engrossed in concurrence, with the amendment, which was sent down for concurrence.

New Bedford,
Vineyard and
Nantucket.

Came up concurred.

Adjourned.

THURSDAY, February 4, 1886.

Met according to adjournment.

John M. Berry. Mr. Cogswell presented a petition of John M. Berry for a State loan to build dwelling-houses for workingmen, and the same was referred under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule to the committee on Labor.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Appropriations. Mr. Morrill, from the committee on the Treasury, on the House bill making appropriations for salaries and expenses at the State Prison, Massachusetts Reformatory, the Reformatory Prison for Women, and for expenses in connection therewith, reported that the same ought to pass, and it was ordered to a second reading.

Savings Banks. Mr. Joslin, from the committee on Banks and Banking, on the order relative to prohibiting savings banks from transacting business in buildings occupied by national banks, and that said banks shall in no way be connected with national banks; and

Ibid. Mr. Hayes, from the same committee, on the order in relation to authorizing savings banks to elect trustees in the same manner as insurance companies now do, severally reported that it is inexpedient to legislate thereon, and these reports were read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow.

*Papers from the House.***Bills**

Appropriations. Making appropriations for incidental, contingent and miscellaneous expenses of the various departments and commissions of the Commonwealth;

Making appropriations for salaries and expenses at the State Almshouse at Tewksbury; and

Making appropriations for salaries and expenses at the State Workhouse at Bridgewater, were severally read and referred to the committee on the Treasury.

Samuel Langmaid.

A report of the committee on Military Affairs, granting leave to withdraw, on the petition of Samuel Langmaid for compensation for services rendered the State in 1861, was read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow.

Bills

Concerning work, labor and services of employees ; and
To provide for a board of arbitration for the settlement
of differences between employers and their employees, were
severally referred in concurrence to the committee on
Labor.

Work and labor
of employees.
Arbitration.

A bill authorizing the appointment to office of honorably
discharged soldiers and sailors without competitive civil
service examinations, was referred in concurrence to the
committee on Public Service.

Soldiers and
Sailors.

The following papers were severally referred in concur-
rence :—

A petition of the Massachusetts State Grange, Patrons
of Husbandry, that the reports of the Secretary of the
State Board of Agriculture be distributed to subordinate
granges, as now to agricultural societies ;

Massachusetts
State Grange.

To the committee on Agriculture.

A petition of George T. McLaughlin and others, of
Sandwich and Bourne, for an act of incorporation as the
Shawme Savings Bank of Sandwich ;

George T.
McLaughlin et
als.

To the committee on Banks and Banking.

A petition of the mayor of the city of Newton for the
passage of an act providing for the registration of plumbers
and the drainage of buildings in said city ; and

Newton.

A petition of the city solicitor of New Bedford for an
amendment of the city charter relative to the election and
constitution of the board of overseers of the poor ;

New Bedford.

Severally to the committee on Cities.

A petition of William E. Cunningham for compensation
for injuries received while an inmate of the State Reform
School at Westborough ;

William E.
Cunningham.

A petition of Samuel E. Chamberlain for compensation
for certain expenses incurred while warden of the State
Prison ;

Samuel E.
Chamberlain.

A petition of Samuel Hillman for an increase of an an-
nuity ;

Samuel
Hillman.

A petition of W. W. Avery for reimbursement for
money expended by him at the sale of certain printing
material belonging to the State ;

W. W. Avery.

A petition of Cyrus W. Field and others, for indemni-
fication for loss sustained in the sale of the New York and
New England Railroad bonds ; and

Cyrus W. Field
et als.

- Martin Wesson.** A petition of Martin Wesson for compensation for loss sustained by breach of a certain contract entered into with the inspectors and superintendent of the State Workhouse at Bridgewater ;
Severally to the committee on Claims.
- Deaf mutes.** A petition of the trustees of the New England Industrial School for Deaf Mutes for an appropriation ;
To the committee on Education.
- Blue Fish.** A petition of James Penniman and others, for the repeal of the law of the year 1885 to prevent the taking of bluefish with nets or seines in the waters of Vineyard Sound ; and
Petitions of
Great Ponds. John Savery and others ; of
J. M. Danforth and others ; and
C. W. Tenney and others, severally for legislation relative to the cancellation of leases of great ponds where the conditions of the leases have not been complied with ; and
- Gerard C. Tobey et als.** A petition of Gerard C. Tobey and others, for a law prohibiting the use of seines and gillnets in the waters of Buzzard's Bay ;
Severally to the committee on Fisheries and Game.
- N. L. Graffam.** A petition of N. L. Graffam for legislation relative to expediting the construction of the Cape Cod Ship Canal ; and
A petition of the Gloucester Ferry Company for a change in the harbor line which extends around the north-eastern end of Rocky Neck in Gloucester Harbor ;
Severally to the committee on Harbors and Public Lands.
- Wm. I. Bowditch et als.** A petition of Wm. I. Bowditch and seventeen others for legislation concerning conditions and restrictions in real estate titles ; and
- John J. Whipple et als.** A petition of John J. Whipple and others, that the county commissioners of Plymouth County be authorized to provide suitable accommodations in the city of Brockton for holding the terms of the Superior Court now authorised to be there adjourned ;
Severally to the committee on the Judiciary.
- William J. Marvin et als.** A petition of William J. Marvin and others for legislation to prevent the employment of minors and women in mercantile establishments for more than ten hours in any one day ;
To the committee on Labor.

A petition of the Marblehead Gas Light Company for an amendment of its charter ;

Marblehead
Gas Light Com-
pany.

A petition of the Dedham and Hyde Park Gas Company for an amendment of its charter ; and

Dedham and
Hyde Park Gas
Company.

A petition of Amos Haynes for a modification of chapter 150 of the Acts of the year 1885, so as to allow the manufacture of vinegar with burnt-sugar coloring ;

Amos Haynes.

Severally to the committee on Manufactures.

A petition of F. W. Morandi for legislation to allow one gas company to acquire the property and franchises of another by lease or purchase ;

F. W. Morandi.

A petition of Frank S. Billings and other veterinary surgeons for an act of incorporation ; and

Frank S.
Billings et als.

A petition of J. D. Braman, that the Boston Water Power Company may be authorized to issue preferred stock to retire its indebtedness and for other purposes (with instructions to hear the parties after giving due notice) ;

J. D. Braman.

Severally to the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

A petition of Ellen Russell for State aid ;

Ellen Russell.

A petition of William D. Taber for military aid ;

William D.
Taber.

A petition of Catherine Mullins for State aid ;

Catherine
Mullins.

A petition of George L. Newcomb and others of Scituate, that said town be authorized to pay them \$200 each for military services performed ;

George L.
Newcomb.

A petition of Lawrence M. Duchesney for certain money due him for mileage for the last quarter of the year 1882 ;

L. M. Duches-
ney.

A petition of Mary Gallagher for State aid ;

Mary Gallagher.

A petition of George G. Parker for amendment of the laws relating to State aid ; and

George G.
Parker.

A petition of Annie W. Woods, widow of Sergeant John S. Woods, 16th Battery, Massachusetts Volunteers, for State aid ;

Annie W.
Woods.

Severally to the committee on Military Affairs.

A petition of E. A. Carleton and others for legislation relative to a change of the name of the New England Aid Society ;

E. A. Carleton
et als.

A petition of the trustees of the Roslindale Methodist Episcopal Church for legislation confirming the title of certain property of said corporation ;

Roslindale
Methodist
Church.

A petition of members of the South Parish of Ipswich for legislation authorizing and empowering trustees of a

Ipswich.

certain Bible fund in said parish to devote the funds in their hands to certain other parish purposes; and

Newton Theological Institution. A petition of the trustees of the Newton Theological Institution for a change of name;

Severally to the committee on Parishes and Religious Societies.

Tobacco. A petition of Richard Eddy and others for legislation prohibiting the selling or giving away of tobacco in any form to any minor;

To the committee on Public Health.

Emerson W. Law. A petition of Emerson W. Law, clerk of the Third District Court of Eastern Middlesex, for an increase of salary;

Middlesex County. A petition of the judge of probate and insolvency for Middlesex County for an increase of salary;

Worcester County. A petition of Edward A. Brown, county treasurer of Worcester county for an increase of salary;

Ibid. A petition of the county commissioners of Worcester County for an increase of salary;

Roxbury. A petition of the constables of the municipal court, Roxbury District of Boston, for an increase in their salaries; and

Bristol County. A petition of Alanson Borden and others, that the clerk of the courts for Bristol County may retain \$2,500 as his annual salary out of the fees for which he is to account;

Severally to the committee on Public Service.

Boston and Lowell R.R. Company. A petition of the Boston and Lowell Railroad Corporation for authority to take land in Concord now owned by the Commonwealth, for the purpose of completing its location;

Ibid. A petition of the Boston and Lowell Railroad Corporation for power to build a branch connecting the Mystic Branch with the Salem and Lowell Railroad;

John F. Shea. A petition of John F. Shea, that the Boston and Providence Railroad Company may be required to construct suitable bridges over certain streets in the city of Boston;

Joel Proctor et als. A petition of Joel Proctor and others, that the time granted the Lancaster Railroad in the year 1885 to build its road be shortened, so that said road be completed by the 30th of March, in the year 1887;

Eastern R.R. Company. A petition that the Eastern Railroad Company be authorized to retire its certificates of indebtedness and advance the interests of its shareholders;

T. C. Weeks et als. A petition of T. C. Weeks for the consolidation of the Boston and Maine Railroad and the Eastern Railroad Company; and

Ibid. A petition of the same, for amendment of chapter 236

of the Acts of the year 1876, in relation to the Eastern Railroad Company; Eastern R. R. Co.

Severally to the committee on Railroads.

A petition of the mayor of Newburyport, that said city be relieved from the assessment of the cost of rebuilding the Essex Merrimack Bridge; Newburyport.

To the committee on Roads and Bridges.

A petition of M. C. Warren & Co. and others for an act of incorporation as the City Elevated Railroad Company; M. C. Warren & Co. et als.

To the committee on Street Railways.

A petition of S. H. Weaver and others for such legislation as shall assess the regular State tax upon the market value of the capital stock of the American Bell Telephone Company; S. H. Weaver et als.

To the committee on Taxation.

A remonstrance of Henry C. Scott and 944 others against any division of the town of Milford, in addition to the remonstrance of Charles F. Clafin and 357 others; Milford, town of.

To the committee on Towns.

A petition of Nathaniel B. Mansfield and another for the incorporation of the Manchester Water Company; N. B. Mansfield et als.

A petition of Charles M. Welden for amendment of chapter 120 of the Acts of the year 1878, relating to sidewalks, crosswalks, common sewers and main drains in the fire district of the town of Pittsfield; Charles M. Welden.

A remonstrance of John N. Scott and others against the petition of the city of Boston for authority to take the waters of Shawsheen River; Boston.

A petition of the selectmen of Marlborough to have the time extended provided in chapter 191 of the Acts of the year 1880 for the filing of the taking of certain water by said town; and Marlborough.

A petition of the Board of Water Commissioners of the city of Boston, that said city be empowered to acquire by purchase the franchise of any corporation now having the right to detain and sell water within the limits of said city; also to acquire by purchase certain lands adjacent to ponds or streams taken for a water supply; Boston.

Severally to the committee on Water Supply.

Woman Suffrage.

Petitions of
Jonathan Drake and others ;
Rebecca T. Collins and others ;
Arabella B. Elwell and others ;
Clarissa Hall and others ;
Mary C. Shannon and others ; and
J. S. Howland and others, severally for the enactment
of a law enabling women to vote in all town and municipal
elections ;

Severally to the committee on Woman Suffrage.

The following House orders were severally adopted in
concurrence :—

Rights of riparian owners.

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of legislation to establish or define the rights of riparian proprietors of water courses ; also what changes ought to be made in the provisions of chapter 190 of the Public Statutes relating to mills, dams and reservoirs, and any legislation relative thereto.

Dogs.

Ordered, That the committee on Agriculture consider the expediency of legislation relative to keeping bloodhounds.

Transportation of live stock.

Ordered, That the committee on Agriculture consider the expediency of inquiring whether any legislation is necessary to protect the rights of farmers in the transportation of breeding and other stock over the railroads of this State either in respect to accommodation or freight rates.

Boston.

Ordered, That the committees on Cities consider the expediency of repealing chapter 323 of the Acts of the year 1885, to establish a Board of Police for the city of Boston," and of authorizing the mayor of Boston to appoint a Board of Police for the city of Boston.

Ibid.

Ordered, That the committee on Cities consider the expediency of abolishing the Common Council of the city of Boston, and of making the City Council to consist of only one board of one member from each ward and seven members at large. Also, of empowering the mayor to appoint municipal officers absolutely, without requiring the confirmation by the board. Also, of having municipal elections in said city take place biennially ; and of such other amendments to the charter of said city as may be necessitated by the above specified changes, or as may be expedient.

Ordered, That the committee on Cities consider the expediency of legislation amending the charter of the city of Boston providing for an increase in the number of wards, a new division of the city into wards, and providing that such division shall be made by a commission appointed by the Supreme Court or some other authority, so as to secure a fair and non-partisan division.

Ordered, That the committee on Cities consider whether any amendments are required or advisable in the charter of the city of Boston.

Ordered, That the committee on Cities consider the expediency of legislation providing that assistant assessors in cities may be appointed by the assessors and approved by the board of aldermen.

Ordered, That the committee on Cities consider what changes should be made in the matter of the election of aldermen in the city of Boston.

Ordered, That the committee on Claims consider the expediency of reimbursing the town of Russell for money expended in the relief of certain paupers.

Ordered, That the committee on Education consider the expediency of providing for the establishment and maintenance of the Boston Evening High School in the city of Boston.

Ordered, That the committee on Education consider what changes are necessary as to requiring certain children to attend school a certain length of time during the year.

Ordered, That the committee on Education consider the expediency of providing that children under the age of eighteen years, who have not graduated from a grammar school, be compelled to attend an evening school.

Ordered, That the committee on Education consider the expediency of amending or repealing chapter 103 of the Acts of the year 1884, providing for the furnishing of free text-books and school supplies to the pupils of the public schools.

Ordered, That the committee on Education consider the expediency of extending the time of compulsory attendance

of children upon the public schools to fifteen years of age.

**State Election.
Legal Holiday.**

Ordered, That the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of providing by law that the day of the State election shall be a legal holiday.

County Officers.

Ordered, That the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of legislation providing for the election of county officers upon a separate ballot.

Ballots.

Ordered, That the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of amending chapter 248 of the Acts of the year 1885 relating to the counterfeiting of ballots.

Ballot Boxes.

Ordered, That the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of adopting new and practical ballot boxes for use throughout the Commonwealth, in view of the bad working and frequent failures of the Standard Cancelling Ballot Boxes now in use.

Ibid.

Ordered, That the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency, in view of the increased number of voting precincts in the Commonwealth, of the introduction of such ballot boxes therefor as will satisfactorily meet the requirements therein.

**Registrars of
Voters.**

Ordered, That the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of further legislation relating to the powers and duties of registrars of voters in cities and towns.

**Insurance Com-
panies.**

Ordered, That the committee on Insurance consider the expediency of providing by law that foreign insurance companies shall be placed under the same legal restrictions now imposed upon home insurance companies.

Legal Holidays.

Ordered, That the committee on Labor consider the expediency of providing that no labor shall be performed in manufacturing or mechanical establishments on legal holidays.

**Minors and
Women.**

Ordered, That the committee on Labor consider the expediency of amending section 4 of chapter 74 of the Public Statutes relative to the employment of minors and women in manufacturing establishments, so that the printed notice thereby required shall be more full and explicit.

Ordered, That the committee on Labor consider the expediency of legislation to promote the ownership of stock in corporations by persons in the employ of such corporations. Corporations.

Ordered, That the committee on Liquor Law consider the expediency of repealing the law providing for the charges of licenses for the sale of intoxicating liquors in the city of Boston, and providing for the charges therefor being made by the aldermen of said city of Boston. Intoxicating Liquors.

Ordered, That the committee on Liquor Law consider the expediency of providing for the negotiability of licenses for the sale of intoxicating liquors, with discretionary power, as is by law provided for the granting of the same. Intoxicating Liquors.

Ordered, That the committee on Liquor Law consider the expediency of legislation requiring the Board of Police of the city of Boston to issue licenses to persons of good moral character when there is no legal objection thereto. Ibid.

Ordered, That the committee on Liquor Law consider the expediency of further legislation in relation to the transfer of licenses. Ibid.

Ordered, That the committee on the Liquor Law consider the expediency of amending chapter 90 of the Acts of the year 1885 by striking out the word "eleven," in the second line of the second condition of section 9, and inserting in place thereof the word "twelve." Ibid.

Ordered, That the committee on the Liquor Law consider the expediency of so amending chapter 216 of the Acts of the year 1885, as to enable innkeepers and common victualers to transact their business after five o'clock P. M. Ibid.

Ordered, That the committee on Mercantile Affairs consider the expediency of changing the law in regard to the sale of goods at auction. Auction Sales.

Ordered, That the committee on Printing consider the expediency of printing additional copies of the annual report of the Board of Gas Commissioners. Gas Commissioners.

Ordered, That the committee on Prisons consider the expediency of abolishing the county jail at Newburyport. Newburyport Jail at.

School for
Feeble-Minded.

Ordered, That the committee on Public Charitable Institutions consider the expediency of further legislation in the interest and for the benefit of the School for Feeble-Minded at South Boston.

Drunkenness.

Ordered, That the committee on Public Charitable Institutions consider the expediency of establishing an institution for the care, keeping and reformation of persons arrested or convicted for drunkenness.

Essex County.

Ordered, That the committee on Public Charitable Institutions consider the expediency of such legislation in regard to the county institutions at Ipswich as shall separate the insane from the criminals, either by removing one department or the other, and providing for the same elsewhere.

Vinegar.

Ordered, That the committee on Public Health consider the expediency of amending chapter 150 of the Acts of the year 1885, relative to the artificial coloring matter, the per cent. of acetic acid, contained in vinegar or otherwise.

Poisonous
Drugs, etc.

Ordered, That the committee on Public Health consider the expediency of regulating the sale of poisonous drugs, medicines and chemicals, rat poisons, pest poisons, and like preparations.

Vaults and Cess-
pools.

Ordered, That the committee on Public Health consider the expediency of such legislation as will give to boards of health the power to close all vaults and cesspools on streets provided with sewers; also, such legislation as will bring about a more general use of sewers by abutters on the line thereof.

Public Officers.

Ordered, That the committee on Public Service consider the expediency of abolishing any offices that may be found unnecessary and of requiring fees received by public officers to be paid into the public treasury, and of reducing any salaries that may be higher than the service and responsibility of the office warrant.

District and
Police Courts.

Ordered, That the committee on Public Service consider the expediency of amending section 24 of chapter 154 of the Public Statutes, so that the expenses of the district and police courts shall be audited and allowed by the county commissioners and not as costs in criminal cases.

Ordered, That the committee on Public Service consider Lock-ups. the expediency of amending section 32 of chapter 27 of the Public Statutes, so that persons arrested on a warrant as well as persons arrested without a warrant may be committed to a lock-up by the arresting officer; also, the expediency of amending section 34 of said chapter so that the lock-up fees shall be paid to the lock-up keeper for the use of the town.

Ordered, That the committee on Public Service consider General Court. the expediency of legislation increasing the compensation received by members of the General Court.

Ordered, That the committee on Public Service consider Laborers. the expediency of so amending chapter 320 of the Acts of the year 1884 so that the same shall not apply to laborers in the service of cities.

Ordered, That the committee on Public Service consider Essex County. the expediency of making a further allowance for clerical assistance in the office of Register of Probate and Insolvency for Essex County, to be paid from the treasury of the Commonwealth upon the official certificate of the judge of probate and insolvency for said county.

Ordered, That the committee on Railroads consider Freight Cars. the expediency of requiring railroads in this Commonwealth to provide their covered freight cars with suitable guards to prevent accidents to employees by falling therefrom.

Ordered, That the committee on Roads and Bridges consider Road Commissioners. the expediency of adopting a uniform system in towns of expending money upon the highways, so that in towns which fail to elect road commissioners the selectmen shall constitute that board.

Ordered, That the committee on State House consider Boston. any proposals, and conditions incident thereto, if such shall be made by the city of Boston, regarding the disposition and use of the vacant lot of land on Hancock and Temple Streets in Boston, recently occupied by the reservoir.

Ordered, That the committee on Street Railways consider Street Railways. the expediency of providing for a redemption of unused tickets and checks issued by street railway corporations for a money consideration.

Cities and
Towns.

Ordered, That the committee on Water Supply consider the expediency of legislation in regard to the purchase by cities and towns of the franchises and property of aqueduct and water companies.

Water Supply.

Ordered, That the committee on Water Supply consider the expediency of legislation permitting cities and towns to raise money for the purpose of supplying their inhabitants with pure water.

The following House order was rejected : —

Employees.

Ordered, That the committee on Labor consider the expediency of legislation exempting employees from performing any labor between meals.

The following orders were laid over under the rule : —

New Bedford,
Jail at.

Ordered, That the committee on Prisons be authorized to inquire into the cause of the recent revolt of the prisoners at the New Bedford jail and house of correction ; and inquire also into the case of the inmate, Elizabeth Murphy, who, it is alleged, was transferred from the Woman's Prison at Sherburn last summer, and has been confined in a solitary cell ten days a month, on an average, since her incarceration at New Bedford, notwithstanding her breach of prison rules is believed to be the result of mental derangement ; and that the committee report such legislation as it may deem necessary.

Ordered, That the committee on Prisons be authorized to send for persons and papers relating to the matter of the enlargement of the New Bedford prison.

Committee on
Manufactures.

Ordered, That the committee on Manufactures be authorized to employ a stenographer.

General Court.

The Orders of the Day were taken up, and the Senate bill to provide further assistance for the two branches of the legislature, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Clerks of
Courts.

The House bills

To permit clerks of courts to imprint fac-similes of their signatures upon certain processes issued by them ;

Making appropriations for certain educational expenses ;

Making appropriations for salaries and expenses at the State Primary School at Monson ;

Making appropriations for salaries and expenses at the Appropriations.
Lyman School for Boys;

Making appropriations for salaries and expenses at the
State Industrial School for Girls; and the

House resolve authorizing the Treasurer and Receiver-
General to borrow money in anticipation of revenue, were
severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed in
concurrence.

The House resolve providing for printing extra copies Commission on
Drainage.
of the report of the commission appointed to consider a
general system of drainage for the valleys of the Mystic,
Blackstone and Charles Rivers, was read a third time. Mr.
Lilley proposed certain amendments therein and the resolve
was passed over.

The Senate report of the committee on Education, on the Employment of
children.
order relative to so amending chapter 224 of the Acts of
the year 1883, as to give to school boards discretionary
power to permit the employment of a child under twelve
years of age, when in their opinion the public good will be
advanced thereby, was accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Adjourned.

FRIDAY, February 5, 1886.

Met according to adjournment.

On motion of Mr. Lilley, the vote by which the Senate General Court.
bill to provide further assistance for the two branches of
the legislature passed to be engrossed, was reconsidered
and the bill was then amended by adding a new section
and again passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. Milliken, from the committee on Street Railways, Naumkeag
Street Railway
Co.
on the petitions of the Naumkeag Street Railway Company
and the Salem Street Railway Company, reported

A bill to amend the charter of the Naumkeag Railway
Company and to authorize said company to purchase the
Salem Street Railway.

Mr. Bigelow, from the committee on Roads and Bridges,
on the petition of Tristram R. Holley and others, reported

Edgartown and
Cottage City.

A bill to provide for the future maintenance of the bridge over "Sengekontacket Opening," between the towns of Edgartown and Cottage City, and these bills were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Amos Haynes
et als.

On motion of Mr. Gunn,—

The vote by which a petition from the House, of Amos Haynes, for a modification of chapter 150 of the Acts of the year 1885, so as to allow the manufacture of vinegar with burnt-sugar coloring, was referred in concurrence to the committee on Manufactures, was reconsidered and the same was then referred to the committee on Public Health in non-concurrence.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Essex County.

On motion of Mr. Cogswell,—

The vote by which the House order that the committee on Public Service consider the expediency of making a further allowance for clerical assistance in the office of Register of Probate and Insolvency for Essex County, to be paid from the treasury of the Commonwealth upon the official certificate of the judge of probate and insolvency for said county was adopted, was reconsidered, and it was amended by striking therefrom the words "Committee on Public Service" and inserting in place thereof the words "joint committee on Probate and Insolvency" and as amended was adopted in non-concurrence.

Sent down for concurrence.

Indian policy.

Mr. Jones of Berkshire, from the committee on Federal Relations, on the resolutions in relation to the Indian policy of the United States, reported that the same ought to be adopted, and they were placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow.

Petitions were presented and referred as follows :—

John J.
Whipple et als.

By Mr. Douglas, a petition from B. Arnold and others in aid of that of John J. Whipple and 2,209 others of Brockton, for the better protection of life and property, and that engineers employed in factories and manufacturing establishments, etc., be required to pass an examination and be licensed ;

To the committee on Manufactures.

By Mr. Harlow, petitions of the Faculty of Amherst College, John J. Blair and others; and by

Mr. Morse, a petition of Robert Porter and others, severally for legislation prohibiting the selling or giving away of tobacco in any form to a minor;

Severally to the committee on Public Health.

By Mr. Morse, a petition of Robert Porter and others, that women may be allowed to vote on the question of granting licenses to sell intoxicating liquors;

To the committee on Woman Suffrage.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Papers from the House.

A bill to incorporate the Bar Association of the city of Boston, on the petition of the same, was read and ordered to a second reading.

A bill providing for the punishment of embezzlement of property of voluntary associations was read and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

A report of the committee on Cities, on the order relative to the election of school committee in the city of Boston so as to provide for their election by districts, discharging the committee from the further consideration thereof, and that the same be referred in concurrence to the committee on Education, was accepted in concurrence.

A petition of Charles Hall Adams for the amendment of section 43, chapter 38 of the Public Statutes, relating to Protestant Episcopal churches, came up referred to the committee on Parishes and Religious Societies under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule, and the Senate non-concurred in the suspension of said rule and the petition was referred to the next General Court. Subsequently, on motion of Mr. Reed, the above vote was reconsidered and the petition was referred in concurrence.

A petition of Geo. D. Hart and others, that the Adjutant-General's report from the years 1861 to 1863 be re-printed, and such errors as are contained therein corrected, the reports to be placed on sale at cost, was referred in concurrence to the committee on Printing.

The House order laid over from yesterday, —

New Bedford,
jail in.

Elizabeth
Murphy.

Ordered, That the committee on Prisons be authorized to inquire into the cause of the recent revolt of the prisoners at the New Bedford jail and house of correction; and that the same committee inquire into the case of the inmate, Elizabeth Murphy, who, it is alleged, was transferred from the Woman's Prison at Sherborn last summer, and has been confined in a solitary cell ten days a month, on an average, since her incarceration at New Bedford, notwithstanding her breach of prison rules is believed to be the result of mental derangement, and that the committee report such legislation as it may deem necessary, was considered.

Mr. Cogswell raised the point that the Orders was not in parliamentary form and consequently not proper for the consideration of the Senate.

The Chair so ruled, and sustained the point of order, but stated that if unanimous consent were given a motion to amend so as to relieve the order of its objectionable features might be entertained. Unanimous consent being granted it was amended, on motion severally of Messrs. Joyner, Cogswell and Lilley and the order adopted as follows: —

Ordered, That the committee on Prisons be authorized to inquire into the case of Elizabeth Murphy, and ascertain particularly who authorized or required her transfer, and report such legislation as it may deem necessary.

Sent down for concurrence.

The House order laid over from yesterday,

New Bedford,
prison at.

That the committee on Prisons be authorized to send for persons and papers relating to the matter of the enlargement of the New Bedford prison was adopted in concurrence.

The House order laid over from yesterday,

Committee on
Manufactures.

That the committee on Manufactures be authorized to employ a stenographer, was laid on the table.

The Orders of the Day were taken up, and the House

Commission on
Drainage.

Resolve providing for printing extra copies of the report of the Commission appointed to consider a general system of drainage for the valleys of the Mystic, Blackstone and Charles Rivers was further considered.

Mr. Lilley withdrew the amendments proposed at the last session, and upon motion of the same Senator the resolve was further amended and passed to be engrossed in concurrence with the amendments which were sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The bill making appropriations for salaries and expenses Appropriations. at the State Prison, Massachusetts Reformatory, the Reformatory Prison for Women, and for expenses in connection therewith, was read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The reports of the committee on Banks and Banking, on Savings banks. the Order relative to prohibiting savings banks from transacting business in buildings occupied by national banks, and that said banks shall in no way be connected with national banks; and

On the order in relation to authorizing saving banks to ind. elect trustees in the same manner as insurance companies now do, were severally accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The House report of the committee on Military Affairs, Samuel Lang- on the petition of Samuel Langmaid maid. for compensation for services rendered the State in 1861, was accepted in concurrence.

Adjourned.

MONDAY, February 8, 1886.

Met according to adjournment.

Mr. Gould, from the committee on Military Affairs, on Soldiers' Home the petition of the Trustees of the Soldiers' Home, reported a bill to amend an Act to incorporate the Trustees of the Soldiers' Home in Massachusetts; and the same was read and ordered to a second reading.

Mr. Morrill, from the committee on the Treasury, on the House
Bills

Appropriations. Making appropriations for incidental, contingent and miscellaneous expenses of the various departments and commissions of the Commonwealth;

Making appropriations for salaries and expenses at the State Workhouse at Bridgewater; and

Mr. Walker, from the same committee, on the House bill making appropriations for salaries and expenses at the State Almshouse at Tewksbury, severally reported that the same ought to pass, and they were ordered to a second reading.

State Aid. Mr. Gould, from the committee on Military Affairs, on an order in relation to the subject, reported a bill extending the State aid laws to the one-hundred-day troops of the year eighteen hundred and sixty-four, and the same was read and referred to the committee on the Treasury.

Tobacco. Mr. Morrill presented a petition of L. M. Hawley and others for legislation prohibiting the selling or giving away of tobacco in any form to any minor;

Referred to the committee on Public Health.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Papers from the House.

Referred to committees:—

Superior Court. A bill to increase the number of associate justices of the Superior Court was read and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Appropriations. A bill making appropriations for the salaries and expenses of the district police force was read and referred to the committee on the Treasury.

The following papers were severally referred, in concurrence:—

Arbor Day. Petitions of
Sidney P. Clark and others;
F. H. Hammond and others; and
C. M. Ellis and others, for the establishment of an
Arbor Day;
Severally to the committee on Agriculture.

Petitions of

Thomas Reynolds and others ; and

Great Ponds.

E. T. Perry and others, severally for legislation relative to the cancellation of leases of great ponds where the conditions of the leases have not been complied with.

A remonstrance of J. K. Nickerson and others against the enactment of a law to prevent the taking of fish by seines or nets from the waters of Buzzard's Bay ; and

Bluefish.

A remonstrance of N. E. Atwood and others against the enactment of a law to prevent the taking of bluefish by seines or nets from the waters around Martha's Vineyard ;

Ibid.

Severally to the committee on Fisheries and Game.

Petitions of

John Powers and others ;

James Towle and others ;

Minors and Women.

William F. Campbell and others ; and

J. C. Brown and others, for a law to prohibit the employment of minors and women in any mercantile establishment for more than ten hours in any one day ;

Severally to the committee on Labor.

A petition of the Grand Division S. of T. of Massachusetts for the enactment of a law against the sale or exposure for sale of spirituous or malt liquors in the grocery stores of the Commonwealth ;

Intoxicating Liquors.

To the committee on the Liquor Law.

A petition of Charles and Nancy McLaughlin, father and mother of Eugene McLaughlin, late of the U. S. Navy, for State aid ;

Charles and Nancy McLaughlin.

Under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule, to the committee on Military Affairs.

Petitions of

Charles B. Elder and others ;

H. Lummis and others ;

L. D. Wilson and others ;

J. M. Wyman and others ;

Horatio D. Newton and others ;

G. E. S. Kenney and others ;

I. S. Hamblen and others ;

Anna N. Hobbs and others ;

G. F. Stevens and others ;

Tobacco.

O. A. Archer and others ;
 Henry W. Billings and others ;
 Jerome Crittenden and others ;
 Charles A. Daniels and others ; and
 C. D. Hills and others, for legislation prohibiting the
 selling or giving away of tobacco in any form to a minor ;
 Severally to the committee on Public Health.

Milford, town
 of.

Petitions of
 J. S. Chase and others ; and
 J. H. Northrop and others, severally in favor of the
 division of the town of Milford ; and
 A remonstrance of Alonzo Rounds and others, real es-
 tate owners in the proposed new town, against any division
 of Milford ;
 Severally to the committee on Towns.

Woman
 suffrage.

Petitions of
 Mrs. M. J. C. Russell and others ;
 Lydia B. Willis and others ; and
 S. J. Buxton and others, severally for the enactment
 of a law enabling women to vote in all town and municip-
 al elections ;
 Severally to the committee on Woman Suffrage.

The following House order was laid over on the objec-
 tion of Mr. Milliken : —

Elevated rail-
 roads.

Ordered, Under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule,
 that the committee on Street Railways consider the expedi-
 ency of so amending the statute that the Railroad
 Commissioners be authorized to pass upon the form of
 structure and system of elevated railroads which would
 be least objectionable to abutters and most safe.

Eastern Rail-
 road Company.

Notice was received from the House that the Senate
 order, authorizing the committee on Railroads to consider
 and report what legislation, if any, is necessary to enable
 the Eastern Railroad Company to retire its certificates of
 indebtedness and advance the interest of its shareholders,
 had been ruled out as being obnoxious to Joint Rule No.
 11.

Mass. Indian
 Association.

The House petition of the Massachusetts Indian Associ-
 ation that favorable action be taken on the resolutions
 offered in regard to the Indian policy of the United States
 Government was placed on file.

The Orders of the Day were taken up, and the Bills

To amend the charter of the Naumkeag Street Railway Bills.
Company and to authorize said company to purchase the
Salem Street Railway ;

To provide for the future maintenance of the bridge
over "Sengekontacket Opening," between the towns of
Edgartown and Cottage City ; and

To incorporate the Bar Association of the city of Bos- Boston Bar Association.
ton, were severally read a second time and ordered to a
third reading.

The House bill making appropriations for salaries and Appropriations.
expenses at the State Prison, Massachusetts Reformatory,
the Reformatory Prison for Women, and for expenses in
connection therewith, was read a third time and passed to
be engrossed in concurrence.

The resolutions in relation to the Indian policy of the Indian Policy.
United States were laid on the table.

The following engrossed bills (which severally origi-
nated in the House) passed to be enacted, to wit : —

Making appropriations for compensation and mileage of Bills enacted and to Gov-
ernor.
officers and men of the volunteer militia, and for other
expenses of the military department.

Making appropriations for printing and binding public
documents, for editing registration report, purchase of
paper, publishing laws and preparing tables and indexes
relating to the statutes.

An engrossed resolve to authorize the Commissioners Resolve passed
etc.
of Prisons to obtain plans for increasing the number of
cells in the State Prison (which originated in the Senate)
passed, and, with the above named bills was laid before
the Governor for his approval.

Adjourned.

TUESDAY, February 9, 1886.

Met according to adjournment.

Mr. Lilley, from the committee on the Judiciary, on the
petition of the Society of Oblate Fathers for missions
among the poor, reported

Oblate Fathers. A bill to authorize the Society of Oblate Fathers for missions among the poor to hold real and personal estate anywhere in the Commonwealth, and the same was read and ordered to a second reading.

Papers from the House.

Reports

Henry Lemke. Of the committee on Military Affairs granting leave to withdraw, on the petition of Henry Lemke of Boston for State aid; and

West Brookfield. Of the committee on Towns on the petition of the committee of the town of West Brookfield for legislation allowing said town to appropriate money to be used in rebuilding one or two factories destroyed by fire in said town, were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow.

Soldiers and Sailors.

A report of the committee on Taxation, that it is inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to exempting from taxation a portion of their real estate owned by soldiers and sailors, was read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow.

The following matters were severally referred in concurrence:—

John McGrath. A petition of F. C. Stearns and others, citizens of Framingham, for aid to the widow of John McGrath, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule, to the committee on Claims.

Mary Sullivan. A petition of Mary Sullivan for State aid, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule, to the committee on Military Affairs.

Petitions of

Tobacco.

Thomas C. Boscoe and others; and

Alfred Tewksbury and others, for legislation prohibiting the selling or giving away of tobacco in any form to any minor;

Severally to the committee on Public Health.

Civil Service.

The second annual report of the Civil Service Commissioners;

To the committee on Public Service.

Remonstrances of

Hooper A. Appleton and 130 others; and of
 Augustus Moulton, Levi Woodbury and 90 others,
 against the division of the town of Beverly, and the incor-
 poration of a new town to be called Beverly Farms;
 Severally to the committee on Towns.

Beverly Farms.

The following House order was adopted in concurrence,
 under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule:—

Ordered, That the committee on Towns consider the ex-
 pediency of amending section 10 of chapter 27 of the Pub-
 lis Statutes, so that towns may grant and vote money for
 erecting headstones or other monuments at the graves of
 persons who served in the military or naval service of the
 United States, in the war of the rebellion, but who were
 not accredited to their respective quotas, and for keeping
 in repair or decorating the graves, monuments or other
 memorials, whether within or without their limits, erected
 to the memory of soldiers and sailors who have died in the
 military or naval service of the United States.

Soldiers and
Sailors.

The Senate refused to suspend the 12th Joint Rule to
 admit the House order, laid over from yesterday, that the
 committee on Street Railways consider the expediency of
 so amending the statute that the Railroad Commissioners
 be authorized to pass upon the form of structure and sys-
 tem of elevated railroads which would be least objection-
 able to abutters and most safe.

Elevated
Railroads.

The House order instructing the committee on Public
 Service to consider the expediency of legislation relative
 to making a further allowance for clerical assistance in the
 office of the Register of Probate and Insolvency of Essex
 County, to be paid from the treasury of the Commonwealth
 upon the official certificate of the Judge of Probate and In-
 solvency for said county, was returned, the House having
 non-concurred in the Senate amendment to substitute the
 words "joint committee on Probate and Insolvency" for
 the words "committee on Public Service;" thereupon the
 Senate receded from its amendment and the order was
 adopted in concurrence.

Essex County.

The Orders of the Day were taken up and the
 Bills

To amend an act to incorporate the Trustees of the
 Soldiers' Home in Massachusetts;

Bills.

Making appropriations for incidental, contingent and miscellaneous expenses of the various departments and commissions of the Commonwealth ;

Making appropriations for salaries and expenses at the State Almshouse at Tewksbury ; and

Making appropriations for salaries and expenses at the State Workhouse at Bridgewater, were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Naumkeag
Street Railway
Company.

The Senate bill to amend the charter of the Naumkeag Street Railway Company and to authorize said company to purchase the Salem Street Railway, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Edgartown and
Cottage City.

The Senate bill to provide for the future maintenance of the bridge over "Sengekontacket Opening," between the towns of Edgartown and Cottage City, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Boston Bar
Association.

The House bill to incorporate the Bar Association of the city of Boston, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, February 10, 1886.

Met according to adjournment.

State Aid.

Mr. Walker, from the committee on the Treasury, on the Senate bill extending the State aid laws to the one-hundred-day troops of eighteen hundred and sixty-four ; and

Appropriations.

Mr. Douglas, from the same committee, on the House bill making appropriations for the salaries and expenses of the district police force, severally reported that these bills ought to pass and they were ordered to a second reading.

Mr. Dunbar, from the committee on Election Laws, on the order in relation to the subject, reported

Women voters.

A bill in relation to the assessment and registration of women as voters.

The same Senator, from the same committee, on an order in relation to the subject, reported

A bill relating to primary declarations in naturalization Naturalization cases.

The same Senator, from the same committee, on an order in relation to the subject, reported

A bill in relation to printed ballots distributed at elections for national, state and other officers ; and Ballots.

Mr. Norris, from the same committee, on an order in relation to the subject, reported

A bill to regulate the size of ballots to be used on the question of granting licenses for the sale of intoxicating liquors ; and these bills were read and ordered to a second reading. Ibid.

Mr. Scott asked leave to introduce the following resolve :—

Resolved, That the officers of the Senate shall consist of a president, clerk, assistant clerk, sergeant-at-arms, door-keeper, assistant doorkeeper, seven messengers and two pages, and the same was laid on the table, pending the question on granting leave to introduce the resolve. Senate.

Mr. Gould, from the committee on Military Affairs, on the report of the Adjutant-General, reported

A bill to amend the acts relating to the militia, and the same was read and referred to the committee on the Treasury. Militia.

Mr. Norris, from the committee on Election Laws, on the order relative to making the day of the State election a legal holiday, reported that it is inexpedient to legislate thereon, and the report was read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow. State Election.

Mr. Scott, from the committee on the Judiciary, on the petition of the Massachusetts Baptist Charitable Society for an amendment to its charter, reported, asking to be discharged from the further consideration thereof, and that the same be referred to the committee on Parishes and Religious Societies ; and the report was accepted, and so much thereof as referred the petition to a joint committee Sent down for concurrence. Mass. Baptist Charitable Society.

Came up concurred.

Mr. Wilbur presented a remonstrance of J. H. Bowker and others against the passage of any law regulating the Women.

employment of women in mercantile establishments, and the same was referred to the committee on Labor.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Papers from the House.

East Boston District Court.

A bill to abolish the Municipal Court of the East Boston District, and to establish the East Boston District Court (in a new draft of the Senate bill of the same title), was read and ordered to a second reading.

Appropriations.

A bill making appropriations for sundry charitable expenses, was read and referred to the committee on the Treasury.

Springfield.

A bill to authorize the city of Springfield to raise money for the celebration of the two hundred and fiftieth anniversary of its settlement as a town (on the petition of the mayor of said city); and

Suffolk Savings Bank.

A bill to authorize the Suffolk Savings Bank for seamen and others to hold additional real estate (on the petition of the same), were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Highways.

A report of the committee on Roads and Bridges, that it is inexpedient to legislate on an order relative to adopting a uniform system, in towns, of expending money upon the highways, so that in towns which fail to elect road commissioners, the selectmen shall constitute that board, was read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow.

Committee on Roads and Bridges.

A House order that the committee on Roads and Bridges be authorized to visit such places as they may deem expedient in the discharge of their duties, was laid over on the objection of Mr. Joyner.

The following papers were severally referred in concurrence :—

Taking of Fish.

A remonstrance of Asa Smith and others, citizens of Chilmark and Gay Head, against any law to prohibit the taking of any fish by means of seines or nets from the waters of Dukes County;

A remonstrance of Charles Lambert and others against any law to prohibit the seining of fish of any kind; and

A remonstrance of Joseph M. Rogers and others against

any law to prevent the taking of bluefish by seines or nets within the waters of Wellfleet Bay ;

Severally to the committee on Fisheries and Game.

The annual report of the Harbor and Land Commissioners ;

Harbor and Land Commissioners.

To the committee on Harbors and Public Lands.

Petitions of

Henri Batchelder and 14 others ; and of

Intoxicating Liquors.

William Johnson and 30 others, in aid of the petition to prevent the sale or exposure for sale, of spirituous or malt liquors in the groceries stores of the Commonwealth ;

Severally to the committee on the Liquor Law.

Petitions of

J. F. Blackinton and others ;

George W. Coon and others ;

H. O. Houghton and others ;

Lyman Clark and others ;

Henry F. Harrington and others ;

John A. Raymond and others ;

Alfred S. Roe and others ;

George F. Piper and others ;

J. H. Smith and others ; and

J. A. Wood and others, for legislation prohibiting the selling or giving away of tobacco in any form to any minor ;

Tobacco.

Severally to the committee on Public Health.

The Orders of the Day were taken up, and the

Bill to authorize the Society of Oblate Fathers for Missions among the Poor to hold real and personal estate anywhere in the Commonwealth, was read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Oblate Fathers.

The Senate bill to amend an act to incorporate the Trustees of the Soldiers' Home in Massachusetts, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Soldiers' Home.

Sent down for concurrence.

The House bills

Making appropriations for salaries and expenses at the State Almshouse at Tewksbury ;

Appropriations.

Making appropriations for salaries and expenses at the State Workhouse at Bridgewater, were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

The House reports

Reports.

Of the committee on Military Affairs, on the petition of Henry Lemke of Boston for State aid ;

Of the committee on Taxation, on an order relative to exempting from taxation a portion of their real estate owned by soldiers and sailors ; and

Of the committee on Towns, on the petition of the town of West Brookfield for legislation allowing said town to appropriate money to be used in rebuilding one or two factories destroyed by fire in said town, were severally accepted in concurrence.

Adjourned.

THURSDAY, February 11, 1886.

Met according to adjournment.

Boston.

Mr. Forbes from the committee on Education, on the petition of the School Committee of the city of Boston, reported a

Bill to provide for the organization of the school committee of the city of Boston, and the same was read and ordered to a second reading.

Wages, pay-
ment of.

Mr. Douglas, from the committee on Labor, on so much of the Governor's Address as relates to the more frequent payment of wages by corporations, and the several orders relating to the subject, reported a

Bill to provide for the weekly payment of wages by corporations, and the same was read and ordered to a second reading.

A minority of said committee dissent and recommend the substitution of a bill.

Mr. Jeffs gave notice that when the subject should be reached he should move to substitute a bill and permission was given to print the same.

John F.
Hemming.

Mr. Norris, from the committee on Railroads, on the petition of John F. Hemming, that the toll and charges of the Boston & Albany Railroad Company for handling and hauling coal be revised, and that unequal freight rates be prohibited under penalty, reported that the petitioner have leave to withdraw and the same was read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow.

Mr. Gleason, from the committee on Agriculture, on the resolve to provide for the completion of a laboratory for the Massachusetts Agricultural Experiment Station, reported the same in a new draft, and it was read and referred to the committee on the Treasury.

Agricultural
Experiment
Station.

Papers from the House.

A bill making an appropriation to aid in the erection of a monument in commemoration of the battle of Bennington; and

Appropriation.

A resolve in favor of Mark Pickering, were severally read and referred to the committee on the Treasury.

Mark Pickering.

A report of the committee on Military Affairs, that it is inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to allowing any honorably discharged soldier or sailor who served in the late rebellion to peddle goods without filing a certificate of disability, was read and placed on the Orders of the Day for to-morrow.

Soldiers and
Sailors.

The following papers were severally referred in concurrence:—

The report of the Commissioners on the Topographical Survey and Map of the Commonwealth for the year 1885; To the committee on Expenditures.

Topographical
Survey.

A remonstrance of Daniel W. Deane and others against the change of existing laws of the Commonwealth relating to fishing with pounds, weirs and seines;

Fish.

A remonstrance of Brown, Seavey & Co. and others against any law to prevent the taking of fish by seines or nets in the waters of Buzzard's Bay and Vineyard Sound; and

A remonstrance of Jonathan Young and others against the petition of citizens of Wellfleet for an act to prohibit the taking of bluefish in the waters of Wellfleet Bay;

Severally to the committee on Fisheries and Game.

Petitions of

Charles H. Walker and others; and

Tobacco

C. W. Eaton and others, for legislation prohibiting the selling or giving away of tobacco in any form to a minor;

Severally to the committee on Public Health.

Holyoke and
Chicopee.

A petition of S. T. Lyman and others for legislation relative to a free bridge across the Connecticut River between Holyoke and Chicopee ;

To the committee on Roads and Bridges.

A remonstrance of John S. Maxwell and others against the division of the town of Medford ;

To the committee on Towns.

Woman
Suffrage.

Petitions of

Helen S. Taber and others ;

Olivia C. Williams and others ;

Lavinia Ambler and others ; and

E. B. Plympton and others, severally for the enactment of a law enabling women to vote in all town and municipal elections ;

Severally to the committee on Woman Suffrage.

The following order, laid over from yesterday, was adopted in concurrence : —

Committee on
Roads and
Bridges.

Ordered, That the committee on Roads and Bridges be authorized to visit such places as they may deem expedient in the discharge of their duties.

Elizabeth
Murphy.

The Senate order, that the committee on Prisons be authorized to inquire into the case of Elizabeth Murphy, and ascertain particularly who authorized or required her transfer, and report such legislation as it may deem necessary, came up amended by adding to the same the words, “and that the committee also inquire into the cause of the recent revolt at the New Bedford jail,” and the Senate non-concurred therein and the order was returned to the House endorsed accordingly.

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

Appropriations.

The House bill making appropriations for incidental, contingent and miscellaneous expenses of the various departments and commissions of the Commonwealth was read a third time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bills.

The bills

In relation to the assessment and registration of women as voters ;

Relating to primary declaration in naturalization cases ;

To regulate the size of ballots to be used on the ques- Bill.
tion of granting licenses for the sale of intoxicating liq-
uors ;

Extending the State aid laws to the one-hundred-day
troops of eighteen hundred and sixty-four ;

Making appropriations for the salaries and expenses of
the district police force ;

To authorize the Suffolk Savings Bank for seamen and
others to hold additional real estate ;

To abolish the Municipal Court of the East Boston
District, and to establish the East Boston Court, were sev-
erally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The bill in relation to printed ballots distributed at Ballots.
elections for national, state and other offices, was read a
second time and laid on the table.

The Senate bill to authorize the Society of Oblate Oblate Fathers.
Fathers for Missions among the Poor to hold real and per-
sonal estate anywhere in the Commonwealth, was read a
third time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

The House bill to authorize the city of Springfield to Springfield.
raise money for the celebration of the two hundred and
fiftieth anniversary of its settlement as a town, was read
twice under a suspension of the rule, and passed to be
engrossed in concurrence.

The report of the committee on Election Laws, inex- State Election.
pedient to legislate, on the orders relative to making the
day of the State election a legal holiday, was laid on the
table.

The House report of the committee on Roads and Highway.
Bridges, on an order relative to adopting a uniform sys-
tem, in towns, of expending money upon the highways, so
that in towns which fail to elect road commissioners the
selectmen shall constitute that board, was accepted in con-
currence.

The following resolutions, offered by Mr. Lilley, were
adopted by a unanimous vote : —

Whereas, The Senate of Massachusetts has heard with Major-General
Winfield Scott
Hancock.
sorrow of the death of Major-General Winfield Scott

Hancock, and desires to record its appreciation of his great services to the Republic and his high character as a soldier and citizen ; therefore

Resolved, That in his death republican institutions lose a valiant champion and the nation which he helped to save, suffers an irreparable loss.

Resolved, That his valor in war, his magnanimity in peace, his self-sacrificing devotion to duty, and stainless character, make his career an ennobling example to his fellow-countrymen, and commend his name to the remembrance of a grateful people.

Resolved, That the sincere sympathy of the Senate is hereby extended to his bereaved family.

Resolved, That the Clerk of the Senate forward a certified copy of the above preamble and resolutions to his widow.

And the Senate thereupon
Adjourned.

FRIDAY, February 12, 1886.

Met according to adjournment.

Benj. C. Piper.

Mr. Morrill, from the committee on Expenditures, on the order to consider the expediency of authorizing the Auditor of the Commonwealth to continue on his pay-roll one of his clerks who, after nearly thirty years of faithful service, is now confined in a lunatic asylum and cannot long survive, reported a resolve in favor of Benjamin C. Piper, and the same was read and ordered to a second reading.

Militia.

Mr. Walker, from the committee on the Treasury, on the Senate bill to amend the acts relating to the militia ; and

Appropriations.

Mr. Morrill, from the same committee, on the House bill making appropriations for sundry charitable expenses, severally reported that these bills ought to pass, and they were ordered to a second reading.

Mr. Scott, from the committee on Education, on the ^{Hanson.} petition of the school committee of the town of Hanson, reported a resolve in favor of the town of Hanson, and the same was read and referred to the committee on the Treasury.

Mr. Morrill, from the committee on Expenditures, on ^{General Court.} the order relative to the mileage of members of the General Court, and prohibiting railroad companies from giving free passes to members of the Senate and House of Representatives; and

Mr. Nourse, from the committee on Public Service, ^{ibid.} on the order in relation to further legislation in regard to the compensation of members of the present legislature, severally reported that it is inexpedient to legislate thereon; and

Mr. Gove, from the committee on Harbors and Public ^{N. L. Graffam.} Lands, on the petition of N. L. Graffam for such legislation as will expedite the construction of the Cape Cod Ship Canal, reported that the petitioner have leave to withdraw; and these reports were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow.

Petitions were presented and referred as follows:—

By Mr. Milliken, petitions of George S. Pierce and others; and

John H. Watson and others, for an amendment to the Constitution extending suffrage to women;

Severally to the committee on Woman Suffrage.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

On motion of Mr. Cogswell, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule—

Ordered, That the committee on Railroads inquire ^{Railroad Corporations.} whether any further legislation is required with regard to formation of railroad corporations, or the operation, sale or lease of railroads by purchasers thereof at sale under foreclosure of mortgage thereon.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The bill in relation to printed ballots distributed at ^{Ballots.} elections, for national, state and other offices; and

State Election. The report of the committee on Election Laws, inexpedient to legislate, on the orders relative to making the day of the State election a legal holiday, were severally taken from the table and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow.

Papers from the House.

The following papers were severally referred in concurrence :—

Agricultural College.

The twenty-third annual report of the trustees of the Massachusetts Agricultural College ;
To the committee on Agriculture.

Gas and Gas-meters.

The annual report of State Inspector of Gas Meters :
To the committee on Manufactures.

Fish.

A remonstrance of George H. Luce and others against the passage of any law prohibiting the seining of fish in the waters of Dukes County ;

A remonstrance of W. W. Knowles and others against any law to prohibit the taking of bluefish by seines or nets from the waters of Wellfleet and Cape Cod bays ; and

A petition of Jeremiah Pease and others for a law to prohibit the destruction of tern on the land of Nantucket and Dukes counties and within three miles of the shores thereof ;

Severally to the committee on Fisheries and Game.

Tobacco.

Petitions of

H. L. Bancroft and others ; and

W. F. Davis and others, for legislation prohibiting the selling or giving away of tobacco in any form to any minor ;

Severally to the committee on Public Health.

Leyden.

A remonstrance of M. T. Darling, Jr., and others, against the annexation of a part of the town of Leyden to the town of Bernardston ;

To the committee on Towns.

Berkshire.]

A remonstrance of John M. Mackie and others, against granting a charter for the incorporation of the Berkshire Heights Water Company ;

To the committee on Water Supply.

Petitions of

Mrs. E. J. Paine and others ;

Frances H. Drake and others ;

Sarah H. Southwick and others ; and

E. M. Haynes and others, severally for the enactment of a law enabling women to vote in all town and municipal elections ;

To the committee on Woman Suffrage.

Woman
Suffrage.

An order that the committee on Printing consider the expediency of printing five hundred extra copies of the commissioners' report on the topographical survey and map of the Commonwealth for the year 1885, in a style similar to that of last year, for the use of the commissioners, came up from the House, and, it not appearing that the 12th Joint Rule had been suspended to admit the order, it was returned to the House.

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

The Bill to provide for the organization of the school committee of the city of Boston was read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Boston.

The bill to provide for the weekly payment of wages by corporations was read a second time and ordered to be placed first in the Orders of the Day for Wednesday next.

Wages, pay-
ment of.

The Senate bill in relation to the assessment and registration of women as voters, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Women.

Sent down for concurrence.

The bill to regulate the size of ballots to be used on the question of granting licenses for the sale of intoxicating liquors was read a third time. Mr. Morse proposed certain amendments therein and the bill was then passed over.

Intoxicating
Liquors.

The Senate bill extending the State aid laws to the one-hundred-day troops of eighteen hundred and sixty-four, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

State Aid.

Sent down for concurrence.

The House bills

Making appropriations for the salaries and expenses of the district police force ;

Appropriations.

Suffolk Savings
Bank.

To authorize the Suffolk Savings Bank for seamen and others to hold additional real estate ;

East Boston
District Court.

To abolish the Municipal Court of the East Boston District, and to establish the East Boston District Court, were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

John F.
Hemming.

The Senate report of the committee on Railroads on the petition of John F. Hemming, that the tolls and charges of the Boston & Albany Railroad Company for handling and hauling coal be revised, and that unequal freight rates be prohibited under penalty, was accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Soldiers and
Sailors.

The House report of the committee on Military Affairs, on an order relative to allowing any honorably discharged soldier or sailor who served in the late rebellion to peddle goods without filing a certificate of disability, was accepted in concurrence.

Bills Enacted and Resolves Passed.

Bills enacted,
etc.

The following engrossed bills, all of which originated in the House, passed to be enacted, to wit : —

Making appropriations for salaries and expenses at the Lyman School for Boys.

Making appropriations for certain educational expenses.

To permit clerks of courts to imprint fac-similes of their signatures upon certain processes issued by them.

Making appropriations for salaries and expenses at the State Industrial School for Girls.

Making appropriations for salaries and expenses at the State Primary School at Monson.

Making appropriations for salaries and expenses at the State Prison, Massachusetts Reformatory, the Reformatory Prison for Women, and for expenses in connection therewith.

To authorize the consolidation of the New Bedford, Vineyard and Nantucket Steamboat Company and the Nantucket and Cape Cod Steamboat Company.

To authorize the city of Springfield to raise money for the celebration of the 250th anniversary of its settlement as a town.

An engrossed resolve authorizing the treasurer to borrow money in anticipation of revenue (which originated in the House), passed, and with the above-named bills was laid before the Governor for his approval.

Resolve passed,
etc.

MONDAY, February 15, 1886.

Met according to adjournment.

Mr. Walker, from the committee on Insurance, on the order that the committee consider the expediency of providing by law that foreign insurance companies shall be placed under the same legal restrictions as are now imposed upon home insurance companies, reported, asking to be discharged from the further consideration thereof, and that the same be referred to the joint committee on the Judiciary.

Foreign
Insurance
Companies.

The same Senator, from the same committee, on the order that the committee consider the expediency of allowing judges of Probate Courts to make the premiums paid fidelity insurance companies acting as surety on probate bonds, a charge on the respective estates, reported, asking to be discharged from the further consideration thereof, and that the same be referred to the joint committee on Probate and Insolvency.

Fidelity
Insurance
Companies.

Mr. Norris, from the committee on Railroads, on the order that the committee consider the expediency of placing telephone and telegraph companies under such state supervision as will regulate their business and rates of charge, reported, asking to be discharged from the further consideration thereof, and that the same be referred to the committee on Mercantile Affairs, and these reports were severally read and accepted.

Telegraph and
Telephone
Companies.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Petitions were presented and referred as follows : —

By Mr. Joyner, petitions of H. D. Sisson and others, and Horace Seaver and others, in aid of that of Rev. James S. Bush and others for the amendment of chapter 169 of the Public Statutes, so that evidence of disbelief in

Witnesses, —
Credibility of.

a God shall not be received to affect the credibility of a witness ;

To the committee on the Judiciary.

Papers from the House.

Lynn & Boston
R.R. Co.

A bill amending the charter of the Lynn and Boston Railroad Company, on the petition of the same, was read and ordered to a second reading.

Constitution.

A resolve to amend the Constitution relative to the qualification of voters for governor, lieutenant-governor, senators and representatives (on the order relative to abolishing the poll-tax as a prerequisite for voting), was read and laid on the table.

The following papers were severally referred in concurrence : —

Tobacco.

Petitions of

Frank P. Parkin and others ;

R. L. Greene and others ;

A. G. Beebee and others ;

Rev. A. W. Baird and others ; and

J. B. Seabury and others, for legislation prohibiting the selling or giving away of tobacco in any form to a minor ;

Severally to the committee on Public Health.

Newton Street
Railway Co.

A petition of Lucius G. Pratt and 850 others, in aid of the petition of H. B. Parker for the incorporation of the Newton Street Railway Company ;

To the committee on Street Railways.

Woman
Suffrage.

A petition of Anna L. Burroughs and others for the enactment of a law enabling women to vote in all town and municipal elections ;

To the committee on Woman Suffrage.

The following order was admitted, in concurrence, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule : —

Executors, etc.

Ordered, That the (House) committee on Probate and Insolvency consider the expediency of further legislation in relation to suits by or against executors or administrators.

A report of the committee on Street Railways, inexperienced to legislate, on an order relative to having transfer checks issued by street railways in the several cities on their own lines for continuous passage at the regular fare, and amending chapter 113 of the Public Statutes, came up recommitted with instructions to advertise a hearing upon the order in the principal cities, according to the discretion of the committee, and the Senate non-concurred in the recommitment thereof, and the report was returned to the House.

Street Railways.

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

The bill in relation to printed ballots distributed at elections for national, state and other offices was ordered to a third reading.

Ballots.

The report of the committee on Election Laws, on the orders relative to making the day of the State election a legal holiday, was considered.

State Election.

Mr. Naphen proposed a substitute bill, and the report was ordered to be placed in the Orders of the Day for Wednesday next.

The bill to regulate the size of ballots to be used on the question of granting licenses for the sale of intoxicating liquors was further considered, amended upon motion of Mr. Morse, also, in the title, and passed to be engrossed. Sent down for concurrence.

Intoxicating Liquors.

The bills

To amend the acts relating to the militia;

Bills.

Making appropriations for sundry charitable expenses; and

The resolve in favor of Benjamin C. Piper, were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Senate bill to provide for the organization of the school committee for the city of Boston was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The Senate reports

Of the committee on Expenditures, on the order relative to the mileage of members of the General Court, and prohibiting railroad companies from giving free passes to members of the Senate and House of Representatives; and

General Court.

N. L. Graffam.

Of the committee on Harbors and Public Lands, on the petition of N. L. Graffam for such legislation as will expedite the construction of the Cape Cod Ship Canal, were severally accepted.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

General Court.

The report of the committee on Public Service, on the order in relation to further legislation in regard to the compensation of members of the present legislature, was accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

Bills Enacted.

Bills enacted
and to
Governor.

The following engrossed bills (the first of which originated in the Senate) passed to be enacted, and were laid before the Governor for his approval, to wit:—

To authorize the Connecticut River Railroad Company to unite and consolidate with the Ashuelot Railroad Company of New Hampshire.

To incorporate the Bar Association of the city of Boston.

Adjourned.

TUESDAY, February 16, 1886.

Met according to adjournment.

Contempt of
Court.

Mr. Dunbar, from the committee on the Judiciary, on the orders relative to the punishment for contempt of court and relative to issuing of processes, reported a bill relating to commitments for contempt of court and the issuing and service of process for such contempt and in other cases; and

Berkshire
Heights Land
Company.

Mr. Boynton, from the committee on Mercantile Affairs, on the petition of E. D. Brainerd and others, reported a bill to incorporate the Berkshire Heights Land Company, and these bills were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

John M. Berry
et al.

Mr. Cogswell, from the committee on the Judiciary, on the petition of John M. Berry and another for a thorough

revision of the provisions of the Constitution relating to the election of senators and representatives to the General Court, reported that the petitioners have leave to withdraw, and the report was read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow.

Mr. Scott, from the committee on the Judiciary, on the House bill to permit the sheriff of the county of Nantucket to retain to his own use all fees received by him for the service of processes, reported that the same ought to pass, and it was ordered to a second reading.

Mr. Boynton, from the committee on Mercantile Affairs, on the petition of the New England Commercial Travellers' Association for authority to accumulate a reserve fund, reported, asking to be discharged from the further consideration thereof, and that the same be referred to the committee on Insurance, and the report was accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The resolve, proposed by Mr. Scott, that the officers of the Senate shall consist of a president, clerk, assistant clerk, sergeant-at-arms, doorkeeper, assistant doorkeeper, seven messengers and two pages, was taken from the table, leave was granted to introduce the resolve, and the same was referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Order Adopted.

On motion of Mr. Scott,—

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary, to whom was referred the resolve concerning officers of the Senate, be instructed to investigate the whole matter of the election and appointment of officers and employees at the State House, and others in charge of other State property, and report such recommendations as they deem expedient.

Petitions, etc., were presented and referred as follows :—

By Mr. Forbes, a petition of E. E. Forbes and others for further legislation in relation to the drainage of the Blackstone Valley;

To the committee on Drainage.

Fish. By Mr. Norris, petitions of E. B. Joy and others, George Godfrey and others, and J. K. Nickerson and others, in aid of that of James Penniman and others for the repeal of the law of 1885 to prevent the taking of blue-fish with nets or seines in the waters of Vineyard Sound ;
Vineyard Sound. To the committee on Fisheries and Game.

Telephone charges. By Mr. Wilbur, a petition of Carter, Rice & Co. and others, that telephone charges may be limited by law ;
 To the committee on Mercantile Affairs.
 Sent down for concurrence.
 Came up concurred.

Papers from the House.

Bills

Dedham Historical Society. In addition to an act to incorporate the Dedham Historical Society (on the petition of Erastus Worthington and others) ;

Worcester. To authorize the Young Men's Christian Association of Worcester to hold additional real and personal estate (on the petition of the same) ; and

Lawrence. To authorize the city of Lawrence to maintain a bridge over the South Canal of the Essex Company on Broadway in said city (on the petition of the same), were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Suffolk County. A bill relating to the salaries of certain court officers in the county of Suffolk ; and

State Normal School at Bridgewater. A resolve providing for the purchase of land, and for certain repairs and furniture at the State Normal School at Bridgewater, were severally read and referred to the committee on the Treasury.

Reports

Gloucester Ferry Co. Of the committee on Harbors and Public Lands, granting leave to withdraw, on the petition of the Gloucester Ferry Company for a change in the harbor line which extends around the north-eastern end of Rocky Neck in Gloucester harbor ; and

James G. and David Tarr. On the petition of James G. and David Tarr, owners of Rocky Neck Marine Railway, Gloucester, for amendment of chapter 124, Acts of 1866, that Gloucester harbor line may be changed ; and

Edgar A. Hayward et als. Of the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, on the petition of Edgar A. Hayward and others, that a system of State aid may be established for the blind ; and

A report of the committee on Election Laws, to whom Registration.
was recommitted an order that it is inexpedient to legis-
late, relative to amending the Constitution and the laws so
as to allow registration of citizens who may change their
residence after May first in any year, were severally read
and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow.

The following papers were severally referred in concur-
rence : —

A petition of M. J. Cohen and others for a law to pro- Intoxicating
hibit the sale or exposure for sale of spirituous or malt Liquors.
liquors in the grocery stores of the Commonwealth ;

To the committee on the Liquor Law.

The annual report of the Board of Gas Commissioners ; Gas Commis-
To the committee on Manufactures. sion.

A petition of John F. Folsom for legislation to limit the American Bell
amount allowed to be charged for service by the American Telephone Co.
Bell Telephone Co. or its licensed companies ;

To the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

A petition of E. H. Stearns and others for legislation Tobacco.
prohibiting the selling or giving away of tobacco in any
form to a minor ;

To the committee on the Public Health.

Petitions of

Mrs. W. W. Merrick and others ;

Francis H. Turner and others ; and

Woman
Suffrage.

Eliza B. Kittredge and others, for the enactment of a
law enabling women to vote in all town and municipal
elections ;

Severally to the committee on Woman Suffrage.

The Senate refused to suspend the 12th Joint Rule to Topographical
admit the House order relative to authorizing the commit- Survey.
tee on Printing to consider the expediency of printing five
hundred extra copies of the commissioners' report on the
topographical survey and map of the Commonwealth for
the year 1885, in a style similar to that of last year, for
the use of the commissioners, and the same was referred to
the next General Court under said rule.

The order relative to authorizing the committee on Elizabeth
Prisons to inquire into the case of Elizabeth Murphy came Murphy.

up. The House insists on its amendment and **asks** for a committee of conference, and Messrs. Mellen of Worcester, Upham of Salem, and Merritt of Chelsea, are **appointed** said committee on the part of the House of Representatives. The Senate insists in its non-concurrence, and **Messrs.** Bigelow, Milliken and Norris are appointed a **committee** of conference on its part.

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

Naturalization. The Senate bill relating to primary declarations in naturalization cases, was read a third time, amended and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

**Lynn & Boston
R.R. Co.**

The bill amending the charter of the Lynn and Boston Railroad Company, was read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Appropriations. The House bill making appropriations for sundry charitable expenses was read a third time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Benj. C. Piper.

The Senate resolve in favor of Benjamin C. Piper, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Ballots.

The Senate bill in relation to printed ballots distributed at elections for national, state and other officers, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

**Bills enacted
and to Gov-
ernor.**

The following engrossed bills (the first of which originated in the Senate) passed to be enacted, to wit:—

To abolish the municipal court of the East Boston district and to establish the East Boston district court.

Making appropriations for salaries and expenses at the State Almshouse at Tewksbury.

Making appropriations for salaries and expenses at the State Workhouse at Bridgewater.

**Resolve passed,
etc.**

An engrossed resolve, providing for printing extra copies of the report of the commission appointed to consider a general system of drainage for the valleys of the Mystic, Blackstone and Charles Rivers (which originated in the House), passed, and with the above-named bills was laid before the Governor for his approval.

Adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, February 17, 1886.

Met according to adjournment.

Mr. Nourse, from the committee on the Library, on the State Library. Annual Report of the Librarian, reported a bill to provide clerical assistance for the State Library, and the same was read and referred to the committee on the Treasury.

Mr. Harlow, from the committee on Public Health, on State Board of Health. so much of the Governor's Address as relates to the establishment of an independent State Board of Health, and the several petitions in relation to the subject, reported a bill to establish a State Board of Health, and the rule requiring the same to be referred to the committee on the Treasury being suspended, the bill was ordered to a second reading.

Mr. Naphe, from the committee on Election Laws, on Naturalization. the order relative to registration of naturalized citizens as voters, reported a bill to repeal section seven of chapter three hundred and forty-five of the Acts of the year eighteen hundred and eighty-five, relating to naturalization; and

Mr. Scott, from the committee on Water Supply, on the

Petition of Charles C. Hitchcock and others, reported Ware. a bill to supply the town of Ware with water, and these bills were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Mr. Scott, from the committee on the Judiciary, on Superior Court. the bill to increase the number of associate justices of the Superior Court, reported that the same ought to pass, and it was ordered to a second reading.

Mr. Dunbar, from the committee on Election Laws, on Naturalization of aliens. the order relative to amending the naturalization law so as to remove all restrictions attending the naturalization of aliens, reported that it is inexpedient to legislate thereon, and the report was read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow.

The same Senator, from the same committee, on the Taxes. bill in regard to the assessment and apportionment of

poll and other taxes, reported, asking to be discharged from the further consideration thereof, and recommending that the same be referred to the committee on **Taxation**, and the report being considered was accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

State Convention.

Mr. Norris, from the committee on Election Laws, on the order relative to a call for a State Convention for amendment or revision of the Constitution, reported, asking to be discharged from the further consideration thereof, and that the same be referred to the committee on the Judiciary of the Senate, and the report being considered it was accepted and so much thereof as discharges the committee on Election Laws, sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Petitions, etc., were presented and referred as follows:—

Lancaster.

By Mr. Nourse, a remonstrance of W. A. Kilbourn and 50 others, citizens of Lancaster, against permissions being given the town of Clinton to turn sewage into the Nashua River;

To the committee on Drainage.

Telephone Rates.

By Mr. Joyner, a petition of John B. Hull and others;

By Mr. Jones of Berkshire, a petition of Byron Weston and others;

By Mr. Murphy, a petition of George C. Goodwin and others;

By Mr. Gove a petition of the Atlantic Works, that telephone rates be limited by law;

Severally to the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

Medford.

By Mr. Boynton, a remonstrance of Pearl Martin and 48 others, veterans of the late war, against the division of the town of Medford, as by such division the graves of comrades and the monument erected to their memory will be within the confines of another municipality;

To the committee on Towns.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Topographical Survey.

On motion of Mr. Morrill, the vote by which the Senate refused to suspend the 12th Joint Rule to admit the House order relative to authorizing the committee on Printing to consider the expediency of printing five hun-

dred extra copies of the Commissioners' report on the topographical survey and map of the Commonwealth for the year 1885, in a style similar to that of last year, for the use of the commissioners, was reconsidered, and said rule was suspended and the order adopted in concurrence.

Papers from the House.

Bills

To amend section 11 of chapter 145 of the Public Statutes relating to marriage (on the order relative to so amending chapter 145 of the Public Statutes as to authorize the court to grant a decree of nullity or validity of marriage, whenever said marriage was solemnized out of this Commonwealth, if the libellant has lived within the Commonwealth five years next preceding the filing of a libel therefor); and **Marriage.**

To authorize the town of Dedham to raise money for the celebration of the two hundred and fiftieth anniversary of its incorporation (in a new draft), were severally read and ordered to a second reading. **Dedham.**

A bill to amend chapter 144 of the Acts of the year 1855 respecting the form of complaints in certain criminal prosecutions, was read and referred to the committee on the Judiciary. **Criminal Prosecutions.**

Bills

To establish the salaries of the clerks in the office of Treasurer and Receiver-General and provide for their proper designation; and **Treasurer and Receiver-General.**

Making appropriations for the deficiencies in appropriations for certain expenses authorized in the year 1885; and **Appropriations.**

Resolves

In favor of Robert C. Davis; and

In favor of Osborne St. John (severally on the petition of the same), were read and referred to the committee on the Treasury. **Robert C. Davis.
Osborne St. John.**

The following papers were severally referred in concurrence:—

A petition of Mrs. Ira W. Goddard and 1,087 others, women resident in the town of Millbury, for legislation to prevent the pollution of the water of the Blackstone River; **Millbury.**

To the committee on Drainage.

Muskeget, etc.

A remonstrance of Richard Holley and others against the annexation of Muskeget and Gravelly Islands, now a part of Edgartown, to Nantucket;

To the joint committee on the Judiciary.

Telephone
Charges.

A petition of John Ward and others for legislation to limit the amount allowed to be charged for service by the American Bell Telephone Company or its licensed branches;

To the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

Woman
Suffrage.

Petitions of

Alice B. Crosby and others;

Matilda B. Tibbetts and others;

Mrs. M. E. Lee and others;

Mrs. Nancy Gilman and others;

Maria F. Walling and others;

Maria S. Porter;

Carrie M. Tower and others; and

Martha E. Sewall and others, for the enactment of a law enabling women to vote in all town and municipal elections;

Severally to the committee on Woman Suffrage.

Despatch of
Business.

An order that a committee of eight on the part of the House, with such as the Senate may join, be appointed to consider and report, from time to time, such expedients as will in their judgment promote the despatch of business before the two branches of the legislature (and Messrs. Bent of Cambridge, Warden of Waltham, Cook of Springfield, Henry of Fall River, Boynton of South Hadley, Kennedy of Boston, Jaquith of Billerica and McCarthy of Brockton, are appointed said committee on the part of the House) was laid over on objection of Mr. Norris.

Bill enacted
and to
Governor.

An engrossed bill, making appropriations for incidental, contingent and miscellaneous expenses of the various departments and commissions of the Commonwealth (which originated in the House), passed to be enacted and was laid before the Governor for his approval.

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

Wages, —
Payment of.

The bill to provide for the weekly payment of wages by corporations being further considered, Mr. Jefts moved

to substitute therefor a bill, and the question on that motion was taken by yeas and nays, as follows, to wit : —

YEAS. — Messrs. Boynton,	Gleason,	Gould,
Gunn,	Jefts,	Joslin,
Tappan,	Wilbur. — 8.	
NAYS. — Messrs. Alger,	Bigelow,	Douglas,
Dunbar,	Emerson,	Forbes,
Gove,	Howard,	Howland,
Jefferson,	Jones, E. D. G.,	Jones, F. W.,
Joyner,	Kendricken,	Locke,
Milliken,	Morrill,	Morse,
Murphy,	Naphen,	Phillips,
Reed,	Scott,	Walker. — 24.

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Cogswell,	Harlow,	Hayes,
Lilley,	McGahey,	Norris,
Nourse. — 7.		

The question then recurring on ordering the bill to a third reading, it was determined as follows, to wit : —

YEAS. — Messrs. Alger,	Bigelow,	Boynton,
Douglas,	Dunbar,	Emerson,
Forbes,	Gleason,	Gould,
Gove,	Howard,	Jefferson,
Jefts,	Jones, E. D. G.,	Jones, F. W.,
Joslin,	Kendricken,	Locke,
Morrill,	Morse,	Murphy,
Naphen,	Phillips,	Reed,
Scott,	Tappan,	Walker. — 27.
NAYS. — Messrs. Gunn,	Wilbur. — 2.	

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Cogswell,	Harlow,	Hayes,
Howland,	Joyner,	Lilley,
McGahey,	Milliken,	Norris,
Nourse. — 10.		

So the bill was ordered to a third reading.

Bills

Relating to commitments for contempt of court and the Bills.
issuing and service of process for such contempt and in
other cases ;

To incorporate the Berkshire Heights Land Company ;

In addition to an Act to incorporate the Dedham Historical Society ;

To authorize the Young Men's Christian Association of Worcester, to hold additional real and personal estate ;

To authorize the city of Lawrence to maintain a bridge over the South Canal of the Essex Company on Broadway in said city ;

To permit the sheriff of the county of Nantucket to retain to his own use all fees received by him for the service of processes, were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Lynn & Boston
R.R. Co.

The House bill amending the charter of the Lynn and Boston Railroad Company was read a third time, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Reports.

The House reports

Of the committee on Harbors and Public Lands, on the petition of the Gloucester Ferry Company for a change in the harbor line which extends around the north-eastern end of Rocky Neck in Gloucester harbor ; and

On the petition of James G. and David Tarr, owners of Rocky Neck Marine Railway, Gloucester, for amendment of chapter 124, Acts of 1866, that Gloucester harbor line may be changed ;

Of the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, on the petition of Edgar A. Hayward and others, that a system of State aid may be established for the blind ; and

Of the committee on Election Laws, on an order (re-committed) relative to amending the Constitution and the laws so as to allow registration of citizens who may change their residence after May first to any year, were severally accepted in concurrence.

The report of the committee on Election Laws, on the orders relative to making the day of the State election a legal holiday was considered, but without action thereon the Senate

Adjourned.

THURSDAY, February 18, 1886.

Met according to adjournment.

Mr. Gove, from the committee on Harbors and Public Lands, on the petition of the Park Commissioners of the city of Boston, reported in part a bill extending the time for the completion of the public park in the city of Boston known as the Charles River Embankment; and

Charles River
Embankment
Company.

Mr. Joslin, from the committee on Banks and Banking, on the petition of the Worcester Safe Deposit and Trust Company, reported a bill to amend the act incorporating the Worcester Safe Deposit and Trust Company; and these bills were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Worcester Safe
Deposit and
Trust Co.

Mr. Walker, from the committee on the Treasury, on the

Bills

Making an appropriation to aid in the erection of a monument in commemoration of the battle of Bennington; Appropriations.

Making appropriations for deficiencies in appropriations for certain expenses authorized in the year 1885; and the Resolve in favor of Mark Pickering; and

Mark Pickering.

Mr. Morrill, from the same committee, on the bill to establish the salaries of the clerks in the offices of the Treasurer and Receiver-General and provide for their proper designation; and the

Treasurer and
Receiver-
General.

Resolves

In favor of Robert C. Davis; and

Robert O.
Davis.
Osborne;
St. John.

In favor of Osborne St. John, reported that these bills and resolves severally ought to pass, and they were ordered to a second reading.

Mr. Joslin, from the committee on Claims, on the petition of William L. Chipman, reported a

William L.
Chipman.

Resolve in favor of William L. Chipman, and the same was read and referred to the committee on the Treasury.

Mr. Morse, from the committee on Taxation, on the order relative to the repeal of the law to prevent double taxation in certain cases; and

Double Taxa-
tion.

Mr. Boynton, from the committee on Banks and Banking, on the order relative to amending the laws respecting

Co-operative
Banks.

the investments made by co-operative banks, so as to allow said institutions to invest their funds at five per cent. per annum, severally reported that it is inexpedient to legislate thereon; and these reports were read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow.

On motion of Mr. Cogswell, —

Hour of
Adjournment.

Ordered, That when the Senate is in session at 4.45 P. M., the President shall declare the same adjourned.

Legislature.

Mr. Cogswell, under a suspension of the 50th rule of the Senate, moved to reconsider the vote by which the Senate accepted the report of the committee on Public Service, on an order relative to further legislation in regard to the compensation of members of the present legislature; and the motion was laid on the table.

Papers from the House.

Bills

Progressive
Spiritualists.

To change the name of the corporation known as the Working Union of Progressive Spiritualists of Boston (on the petition of M. S. Ayer); and

Mass. Baptist
Convention.

To authorize the Massachusetts Baptist Convention to hold additional real and personal estate (on the petition of the same), were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Reports

Of the committee on Military Affairs, granting leave to withdraw, on the

Mary Sullivan.

Petition of Mary Sullivan for State aid; and

General Court.

Of the committee on Railroads, that it is inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to compelling railroads to carry members of the General Court free of charge, were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow.

R. R. Coe.

The following papers were severally referred in concurrence: —

Arbor Day.

A petition of A. P. Marble and others for the establishment of an Arbor Day;

To the committee on Agriculture.

Savings Banks.

The annual report of the Board of Commissioners of Savings Banks;

To the committee on Banks and Banking.

A petition of the South Boston Citizens' Association relative to a redivision of the wards in Boston ;
To the committee on Cities. Boston.

A petition of Jacob Brown and others for legislation relative to the distribution of ballots at elections in cities ;
To the committee on Election Laws. Ballots.

A remonstrance of O. D. Bradley and others, citizens of Dukes County, against any legislation prohibiting the inhabitants from seining any kind of fish ;
To the committee on Fisheries and Game. Fish.

Petitions of
The Ames Plow Company and others of Worcester ;
and of Telephone Rates.
Jones, McDuffie & Stratton and others of Boston, severally that telephone rates be limited by law ;
Severally to the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

Petitions of
George C. Lee and others ; and George L. Newcomb.
John Marsh and others, severally in aid of that of George L. Newcomb that the town of Scituate may be authorized to grant a bounty to certain soldiers ;
Severally to the committee on Military Affairs.

A petition of E. W. Bond and 119 others for the annexation of the town of West Springfield to the city of Springfield ;
To the committee on Towns. West Springfield.

Petitions of
Zilpha H. Spooner and others ;
M. Adaline P. Clark and others ; Woman Suffrage.
A. T. Wilkinson and others ; and
Mrs. C. W. Brown and others, severally for the enactment of a law enabling women to vote in all town and municipal elections ; and
Remonstrances of
Mrs. Maria G. Moen and others ; and
Marion H. Strong and others, against any further suffrage to women ;
Severally to the committee on Woman Suffrage.

The following order was adopted, in concurrence : —

Prisons.

Ordered, That the committee on Prisons be instructed to ascertain the number of prisoners unemployed in the different State and County penal institutions.

W. V. Morrison et al.

The Senate refused to suspend the 12th Joint Rule to admit the petition of W. V. Morrison and S. M. Beal, asking that a portion of the property of the Yarmouth Camp-Meeting Association may be exempted from taxation, and the same was referred, under said rule, to the next General Court.

Bills enacted and to Governor.

The following engrossed bills (which severally originated in the House) passed to be enacted, and were laid before the Governor for his approval, to wit :—

To authorize the Suffolk Savings Bank for Seamen and others to hold additional real estate.

Making appropriations for the salaries and expenses of the district police force.

General Court.

The order laid over from yesterday, that a committee of eight on the part of the House, with such as the Senate may join, be appointed to consider and report, from time to time, such expedients as will in their judgment promote the despatch of business before the two branches of the legislature (and Messrs. Bent of Cambridge, Warden of Waltham, Cook of Springfield, Henry of Fall River, Boynton of South Hadley, Kennedy of Boston, Jaquith of Billerica and McCarthy of Brockton, are appointed said committee on the part of the House), was adopted in concurrence, and Messrs. Howland, Wilbur and Alger are joined on the part of the Senate.

Naumkeag Street Railway.

The Senate bill to amend the charter of the Naumkeag Street Railway Company and to authorize said company to purchase the Salem Street Railway, came up, passed to be engrossed with certain amendments, and the Senate concurred therein.

State Election.

The Orders of the Day were taken up and the report of the committee on Election Laws, on the orders relative to making the day of the State election a legal holiday, being further considered, Mr. Napphen moved to substitute a bill

therefor, and the vote on that motion was taken by yeas and nays as follows, to wit : —

YEAS — Messrs. Alger, Hayes, Joyner, McGahey, Naphen. — 13.	Douglas, Howard, Kendricken, Morrill,	Emerson, Jones, F. W., Lilley, Murphy,
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NAYS. — Messrs. Bigelow, Dunbar, Gove, Howland, Jones, E. D. G., Morse, Phillips, Tappan,	Boynton, Forbes, Gunn, Jefferson, Joslin, Norris, Reed, Walker,	Cogswell, Gould, Harlow, Jefts, Milliken, Nourse, Scott, Wilbur. — 24.
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PAIRED. — Mr. Locke (yea) with Mr. Gleason (nay). — 2.

So the Senate refused to substitute the bill, and the report was accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The Senate bill to amend the acts relating to the militia. militia.
militia, was read a third time, and the same being reported in a new draft by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading with a new title as follows, “ Bill in amendment of chapter fourteen of the Public Statutes and of chapter forty-five and chapter two hundred and thirty of the Acts of the year eighteen hundred and eighty-four relating to the militia,” the same was passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The report of the committee on the Judiciary on the petition of John M. Berry and another for a thorough revision of the provisions of the Constitution relating to the election of senators and representatives to the General Court, was considered. Mr. Murphy gave notice that he would move to substitute a resolve, and the same was ordered to be printed, and the report was passed over. John M. Berry et al.

The bill to repeal section seven of chapter three hundred and forty-five of the Acts of the year eighteen hun- Naturalization.

dred and eighty-five, relating to naturalization, was read a second time, but without further action thereon, was passed over.

Bills.

The bills

To establish a State Board of Health ;

To increase the number of associate justices of the Superior Court ;

To supply the town of Ware with water ;

To amend section 11 of chapter 145 of the Public Statutes relating to marriage ; and

To authorize the town of Dedham to raise money for the celebration of the two hundred and fiftieth anniversary of its incorporation, were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Senate bill to incorporate the Berkshire Heights Land Company, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Bills.

The House bills

In addition to an Act to incorporate the Dedham Historical Society ;

To authorize the Young Men's Christian Association of Worcester to hold additional real and personal estate ;

To authorize the city of Lawrence to maintain a bridge over the South Canal of the Essex Company on Broadway in said city ; and

To permit the sheriff of the county of Nantucket to retain to his own use all fees received by him for the service of processes, were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Naturalization.

The Senate report of the committee on Election Laws on the order relative to amending the naturalization law so as to remove all restrictions attending the naturalization of aliens, was accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Adjourned.

FRIDAY, February 19, 1886.

Met according to adjournment.

Mr. Scott, from the committee on Water Supply, on the petition of the Chicopee Water Company, reported Chicopee Water Co.

A bill to amend the charter of the Chicopee Water Company, and to authorize it to issue bonds and mortgage its franchise and other property to secure its bonds; and

Mr. Wilbur, from the committee on Cities, on the petitions of George J. L. Colby and others, and the mayor of the city of Newburyport, reported

A bill to amend the charter of the city of Newburyport; Newburyport.
and these bills were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Mr. Morrill, from the committee on the Treasury, on the bill to provide clerical assistance for the State library; State Library.
and

Mr. Douglas, from the same committee, on the resolve's providing for the purchase of land, and for certain repairs and furniture at the State Normal School at Bridgewater; State Normal School at Bridgewater.
and

In favor of William L. Chipman, severally reported that the bill and resolves ought to pass, and they were ordered to a second reading. William L. Chipman.

Mr. Jeffs, from the committee on the Liquor Law, on so much of the Governor's Address as relates to the liquor laws, reported that it is inexpedient to legislate thereon, and the report was read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow. Intoxicating Liquors.

Mr. Dunbar, from the committee on Election Laws, on the petition of C. C. Coffin and others, reported, asking to be discharged from further consideration thereof, and recommending that the same be referred to the committee on Education, and the report was accepted. C. C. Coffin et al.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

On motion of Mr. Lilley, the bill requiring the county commissioners of Middlesex County to cause to be made copies of certain records and plans in the registry of deeds for the southern district, was taken from the table, and Middlesex County.

amended, on motion of the same Senator; but **without** further action thereon it was ordered to be placed in the Orders of the Day for Tuesday next.

W. V. Morrison et al.

On motion of Mr. Norris, the vote by which the Senate yesterday refused to suspend the 12th Joint Rule, to admit the petition of W. V. Morrison and S. M. Beal, asking that a portion of the property of the Yarmouth Camp-Meeting Association may be exempted from taxation, was reconsidered, and the same was referred in concurrence to the committee on Taxation.

Wages, —
Payment of.

On motion of Mr. Jefferson, the bill to provide for the weekly payment of wages by corporations was discharged from the Orders of the Day, under a suspension of the 36th Rule of the Senate, and ordered to be placed first in the Orders of the Day for Wednesday next.

Petitions, etc., were presented and referred, as follows: —

Nashua River.

By Mr. Nourse, a remonstrance of Ezra Burton and 16 others against any legislation permitting the town of Clinton to pour its sewage into the Nashua River;

To the committee on Drainage.

Telephone Rates.

By Mr. Hayes, a petition of Potter & Wrightington and others; and

By Mr. Phillips, petitions of the Springfield Glazed Paper Company and others, and Howe & French and others, severally that telephone rates may be limited by law;

To the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Papers from the House.

Engineers of Fire Departments.

The Senate bill to give selectmen of towns the power to remove engineers of fire departments, came up passed to be engrossed with certain amendments, and the same was thereupon laid on the table.

Ayer, South Groton Congregational Church in.

A bill to confirm and make valid the name, organization and proceeding of the South Groton Christian Union of Ayer, and to change the name of said organization (on the

petition of Lyman Clark), was read and ordered to a second reading.

Reports of

The committee on Claims, granting leave to withdraw, J. O. Winchester. on the petition of J. O. Winchester, asking to be reimbursed for a sum of money paid for a military substitute in the year 1863; and

Of the committee on Claims, that it is inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to reimbursing Winslow W. Avery for money expended by him for the benefit of the State at a sale of printing material belonging to the State in the year 1882, and a petition in aid of the same; and Winslow W. Avery.

Of the committee on Street Railways, on the order relative to requiring street railway companies to issue transfer checks for continuous passage on their own lines at the regular fare, were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow. Street Railways.

A report of the committee on Labor, on the petition of the mayor of Lynn, for legislation to prevent the convict labor of the Commonwealth from being brought into unfair competition with free labor by the contract system, asking to be discharged from the further consideration thereof and that the same be referred to the committee on Prisons, was accepted in concurrence. Convict Labor.

The following petitions were severally referred in concurrence:—

A petition of Jeremiah W. Coveney and others for legislation relative to the distribution of ballots at elections in cities; Ballots.

To the committee on Election Laws.

A petition of Granville Hicks and others for the enactment of a law to prohibit the sale or exposure for sale of spirituous or malt liquors in the grocery stores of the Commonwealth; Intoxicating Liquors.

To the committee on the Liquor Law.

Petitions of

M. M. Gavitt and others; and

George D. Hart, mayor of Lynn, and others, that the telephone rates may be limited by law; Telephone Rates.

Severally to the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

Woman
Suffrage.

Petitions of
H. Louisa Brown and others ; and
Arabella Ames and others, for the enactment of a
law enabling women to vote in all town and municipal
elections ;
Severally to the committee on Woman Suffrage.

The following order was adopted in concurrence : —

Public Schools.

Ordered (under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule),
That the committee on Education consider the expediency
of such legislation as will authorize the school committee
of the various cities and towns in the Commonwealth to
admit pupils to the public schools who have not been vac-
cinated, if the board of health shall so consent in writing.

John M. Berry
et al.

The Orders of the Day were taken up and the report of
the committee on the Judiciary, on the petition of John
M. Berry and another for a thorough revision of the pro-
visions of the Constitution relating to the election of sena-
tors and representatives to the General Court, was further
considered.

Agreeably to notice, Mr. Murphy proposed a substitute
in the form of a resolve, and the same was rejected and
the report thereupon accepted.

Naturalization.

The bill to repeal section seven of chapter three hundred
and forty-five of the Acts of the year eighteen hundred
and eighty-five, relating to naturalization, was ordered to
be placed in the Orders of the Day for Thursday next.

Bills.

The bills

Extending the time for the completion of the public
park in the city of Boston known as the Charles River
Embankment ;

To amend the act incorporating the Worcester Safe
Deposit and Trust Company ;

Making an appropriation to aid in the erection of a
monument in commemoration of the battle of Bennington ;

To establish the salaries of the clerks in the offices of
the Treasurer and Receiver-General and provide for their
proper designation ;

Making appropriations for deficiencies in appropriations
for certain expenses authorized in the year 1885 ;

To change the name of the corporation known as the
Working Union of Progressive Spiritualists of Boston ;

To authorize the Massachusetts Baptist Convention to hold additional real and personal estate; and the

Resolves

In favor of Mark Pickering;

In favor of Robert C. Davis; and

In favor of Osborne St. John, were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Resolves.

The Senate bill relating to commitments for contempt of court and the issuing and service of process for such contempt and in other cases, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Contempt of Court.

Sent down for concurrence.

The Senate bill to supply the town of Ware with water, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The House bills

To increase the number of associate justices of the Superior Court;

To amend section 11 of chapter 145 of the Public Statutes relating to marriage; and

To authorize the town of Dedham to raise money for the celebration of the two hundred and fiftieth anniversary of its incorporation, were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Marriage.

Dedham.

The Senate report of the committee on Taxation, on the order relative to the repeal of the law to prevent double taxation in certain cases, was accepted.

Double Taxation.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The Senate report of the committee on Banks and Banking, on the order relative to amending the laws respecting the investments made by co-operative banks, so as to allow said institutions to invest their funds at five per cent. per annum, was accepted.

Co-operative Banks.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The House reports

Of the committee on Military Affairs, on the petition of Mary Sullivan for State aid; and

Mary Sullivan.

General Court. Of the committee on Railroads, on an order relative to compelling railroads to carry members of the **General Court** free of charge, were severally accepted in **concurrency**.

Adjourned.

TUESDAY, February 23, 1886.

Met according to adjournment.

Gas Commissioners.

Mr. Murphy, from the committee on Printing, on an order in relation to the subject, reported

A resolve providing for printing extra copies of the Report of the Board of Gas Commissioners, and the same was read and referred to the committee on the Treasury.

Suffolk County.

Mr. Douglas, from the committee on the Treasury, on the House bill relating to the salaries of certain court officers in the county of Suffolk; and

Agricultural Experiment Station.

Mr. Morrill, from the same committee, on the Senate resolve to provide for completing and furnishing a laboratory for the Massachusetts Agricultural Experiment Station, severally reported that this bill and resolve ought to pass, and they were ordered to a second reading.

Patrick Corr.

Mr. Gould, from the committee on Military Affairs, on the resolve in favor of Patrick Corr (introduced on leave), reported that the same ought not to pass, and the resolve was placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow on the question of rejection.

Ibid.

Mr. Gould, from the committee on Military Affairs, on the petition of Patrick Corr for the payment of arrearage due him for military service in the army of the United States; and

Walter M. Brown.

Mr. Cogswell, from the same committee, on the petition of Walter M. Brown for compensation or other relief for damages or injuries sustained by him while in the performance of his duty as a soldier in the service of the State, severally reported that the petitioners have leave to withdraw, and these reports were read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow.

Pardons.

Mr. Tappan, from the committee on Prisons, on the list of pardons granted during the year 1885, reported that

no legislation is necessary thereon, and the report was read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow.

A petition of D. W. Holden and others for the appointment of a State Board of Water Commissioners, was taken from the files of last year, and, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule, referred to the committee on Water Supply. D. W. Holden
et als.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Petitions, etc., were presented and referred as follows:—

By Mr. Howard, a petition of Jerome Cox, Elizabeth Turner and 698 others of Fall River, that the hours of labor for females and children in manufacturing, mechanical and mercantile establishments be limited to fifty-six and one-half hours in each week; Hours of
Labor.

To the committee on Labor.

By Mr. Jefts, a petition of George A. Pelton and others for a law to prohibit the sale or exposure of spirituous or malt liquors in grocery stores; Intoxicating
Liquors.

To the committee on the Liquor Law.

By Mr. Cogswell, a petition of Benj. F. Arrington and others; Telephone
Rates.

By Mr. Hayes, petitions of James & Abbot and others, and the People's Ice Co. and others;

By Mr. Jones of Essex, a petition of William Porter & Son and others;

By Mr. Kendrick, petitions of J. W. Clarke and others, and the American Arms Co. and others;

By Mr. McGahey, petitions of Farnum and others, and the Stein Manufacturing Co. and others;

By Mr. Nourse, a petition of the Fitchburg Steam Engine Co. and others;

By Mr. Norris, a petition of the Union Paper Manufacturing Co. and others;

By Mr. Phillips, petitions of A. M. Knight & Son and others, and the New England Card and Paper Co. and others of Springfield;

By Mr. Walker, a petition of J. M. Clark and others;

By Mr. Wilbur, petitions of Boylston Iron Works and

others, the American Steam Boiler Insurance Company, and the Bedford Chemical Company and others; and

By Mr. Gove, petitions of Moses Pond and others, and Passumpsic Railroad Company and others;

Severally that telephone rates may be limited by law:
To the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

Amesbury and
Salisbury.

By Mr. Morrill, a petition of Robert Drummond, Sr., and others of Salisbury, that they may be included within the territory proposed to be annexed to the town of Amesbury; and

Ibid.

Remonstrances of Nathan Nutter and others, and Daniel Webster and others, against the annexation of the whole or any part of the town of Salisbury to the town of Amesbury;

To the committee on Towns.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Papers from the House.

Soldiers' Home.

The Senate bill to amend an act to incorporate the Soldiers' Home in Massachusetts came up passed to be engrossed in concurrence with certain amendments, and the Senate concurred therein.

Bills

Bills.

To change the name of the Blair Tourograph and Dry Plate Company (on the petition of the same); and
Authorizing the Boston Tow Boat Company to increase its capital stock (on the the petition of the same), were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Resolves

Resolves.

Fixing the compensation of the Commission appointed to consider a general system of drainage for the valleys of the Mystic, Blackstone and Charles Rivers, on the report of said Commission;

In favor of the Trustees of the Soldiers' Home in Massachusetts; and

In favor of Charles and Nancy McLaughlin, severally, on the petitions of the same, were severally referred to the committee on the Treasury.

Reports

Reports.

Of the committee on Election Laws, that it is inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending

chapter 248 of the Acts of the year 1885 relating to the counterfeiting of ballots ; and

Of the committee on Taxation, granting leave to withdraw on the petition of the town of Princeton for the repeal of the law exempting church property from taxation, were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow.

The following papers were severally referred in concurrence : —

A petition of H. D. Van Rensalaer and others of Springfield, that telephone rates may be limited by law ; Telephone Rates.

To the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

A petition of Thomas H. Hill and others for an amendment to chapter 27 of the Public Statutes, to the effect that votes passed by regularly warned and called town meetings shall remain in force until rescinded by vote of the town ; and Town Meetings.

Petitions of

George W. Morrill and others ; and

Hiram C. Walker and others, severally that the towns of Salisbury and Amesbury be united, or a part of Salisbury annexed to Amesbury ; and a Salisbury and Amesbury.

Remonstrance of John L. Cilley and others against the annexation of the town of Salisbury to the town of Amesbury, as a whole, but not against the annexation of Salisbury Mills Village to Amesbury ; Ibid.

Severally to the committee on Towns.

A petition of G. A. Howe and 85 others, soldiers in the late war, relative to reprinting the Adjutant-General's reports of the years 1861 to 1865 inclusive ; Adjutant-General's Reports.

To the committee on Printing.

A petition of the Massachusetts General Hospital for leave to hold additional real and personal estate (under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule) ; Mass. General Hospital.

To the committee on Public Charitable Institutions.

A petition of Rebecca H. Christian and others for the enactment of a law enabling women to vote in all town and municipal elections ; Woman Suffrage.

To the committee on Woman Suffrage.

Bill Enacted.

Bill enacted
and to
Governor.

An engrossed bill, making appropriations for sundry charitable expenses (which originated in the House), passed to be enacted, and was laid before the Governor for his approval.

Middlesex
County.

The Orders of the Day were taken up, and the Senate bill requiring the county commissioners of Middlesex County to cause to be made copies of certain records and plans in the registry of deeds for the southern district, was further considered, and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

State Board of
Health.

The Senate bill to establish a State Board of Health was read a third time and was ordered to be placed first in the Orders of the Day for Thursday next.

Bills.

The bills

To provide clerical assistance for the State library ;
To amend the charter of the Chicopee Water Company and to authorize it to issue bonds and mortgage its franchise and other property to secure its bonds ;

To amend the charter of the city of Newburyport ;

To confirm and make valid the name, organization and proceedings of the South Groton Christian Union of Ayer, and to change the name of said organization ; and the

Resolves

Resolves.

In favor of William L. Chipman ; and

Providing for the purchase of land, and for certain repairs and furniture at the State Normal School at Bridgewater, were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Mass. Baptist
Convention.

The bill to authorize the Massachusetts Baptist Convention to hold additional real and personal estate, was read a third time and passed over.

Charles River
Embankment.

The Senate bill extending the time for the completion of the public park in the city of Boston known as the Charles River Embankment, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The Senate bill to amend the act incorporating the Worcester Safe Deposit and Trust Company, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Worcester Safe
Deposit and
Trust Co.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The House bills

Making an appropriation to aid in the erection of a monument in commemoration of the battle of Bennington ;

Bills.

To establish the salaries of the clerks in the offices of the Treasurer and Receiver-General, and provide for their proper designation ;

Making appropriations for deficiencies in appropriations for certain expenses authorized in the year 1885 ; and

To change the name of the corporation known as the Working Union of Progressive Spiritualists of Boston ; and the

House resolves

In favor of Robert C. Davis ;

Resolves.

In favor of Osborne St. John ; and

In favor of Mark Pickering, were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

The Senate report of the committee on the Liquor Law, on so much of the Governor's Address as relates to the liquor laws, was accepted.

Liquor Law.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The House reports

Of the committee on Claims, on the petition of J. O. Winchester, asking to be reimbursed for a sum of money paid for a substitute in the year 1863 ; and

J. O. Win-
chester.

On an order relative to reimbursing Winslow W. Avery for money expended by him for the benefit of the State at a sale of printing material belonging to the State in the year 1882, and a petition in aid of the same ; and

W. W. Avery.

Of the committee on Street Railways, on the order relative to requiring street railway companies to issue transfer checks for continuous passage on their own lines at the regular fare, were severally accepted in concurrence.

Street Railway
Companies.

Adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, February 24, 1886.

Met according to adjournment.

Savings Banks. Mr. Joslin, from the committee on Banks and Banking, on the Annual Report of the Commissioners of Savings Banks, reported, in part,

A bill relating to the bonds of treasurers of savings banks and institutions for savings.

Mr. Boynton, from the same committee on said reports, reported, in part,

Ibid. A bill to limit the amount which savings banks may deposit in any one national bank or trust company; and these bills were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Hanson. Mr. Morrill, from the committee on the Treasury, on the resolve in favor of the town of Hanson, reported that the same ought to pass in a new draft, and it was ordered to a second reading.

Biennial Elections. Mr. Norris, from the committee on Election Laws, to whom was recommitted the resolve to amend the Constitution so as to provide for biennial elections, reported that the same ought to pass, and the resolve was placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow, on the question of ordering the same to a third reading.

Registrars of Voters. Mr. Dunbar, from the committee on Election Laws, on the order relative to requiring registrars of voters to hold no other office or position by election or appointment, reported that it is inexpedient to legislate thereon, and the report was read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow.

Petitions were presented and referred, as follows:—

S. C. Cobb et als. By Mr. Scott, a petition of Samuel C. Cobb and others, representing the Massachusetts Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals, for further legislation to protect our insect-eating birds (under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule);

To the committee on Fisheries and Game.

By Mr. Walker, a petition of C. H. Thompson & Co. Telephone Rates.
and others, that telephone rates may be limited by law ;

To the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Papers from the House.

Bills

To authorize the Williston Seminary to hold additional Williston Seminary.
real and personal estate (on the petition of the trustees of the same) ;

To authorize the town of South Abington to change its So. Abington
name (on the petition of the same) ;

To incorporate the Union Congregational Church in Wrentham.
Plainville in the town of Wrentham (on the petition of L.
F. Mendell and others) ; and

In relation to the assessment and registration of women Women.
as voters (in a new draft of the Senate bill of the same
title), were severally read and ordered to a second
reading.

Reports

Of the committee on Public Health, that no legislation Pharmacy.
is necessary, on the report of the Board of Registration
in Pharmacy ;

Of the committee on Military Affairs, granting leave to Sarah Clark.
withdraw on the petition of Sarah Clark of Boston for
State aid ; and on the

Petition of Thomas Riley of Boston for State aid, were Thomas Riley.
severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for
to-morrow.

The following papers were severally referred in concurrence :—

A petition of I. A. Fayerweather and others for the Arbor Day.
establishment of an Arbor Day ;

To the committee on Agriculture.

A petition of the selectmen and 1,344 others of Black- Blackstone
stone, for legislation to prevent the pollution of the Black-
stone River by the sewage of the city of Worcester ;

To the committee on Drainage.

A petition of George G. Wright and others for legisla- Ballots.
tion relative to the distribution of ballots at elections in
cities ;

To the committee on Election Laws.

- Remonstrances of**
Fish. George H. Davis and others ;
 George L. Hiller and others ; and
 John J. Allen and others, against any further legisla-
 tion relating to the taking of fish with seines or traps
 from the waters of Vineyard Sound and Buzzard's Bay ;
 Severally to the committee on Fisheries and Game.
- Intoxicating**
Liquors. A report of the Board of Police of the city of Boston,
 in response to an order of the House adopted February 3,
 requesting said board to report the number of places in
 said city which were licensed for the sale of intoxicating
 liquors at the time of the organization of said board ;
 To the committee on the Liquor Law.
- Telephone**
Rates. Petitions of
 The Cleveland Machine Works and others of Worcester ;
 The Bel Air Manufacturing Co. and others of Pittsfield ;
 The S. N. and C. Russell Manufacturing Co. and others
 of Pittsfield ;
 The Worcester Steel Works and others of Worces-
 ter ;
 Howard Snelling & Co. and others of Boston ;
 The Vernon Paper Co. and others of Greenfield ;
 The American Watch Tool Co. and others of Waltham ;
 S. E. Hildreth and others of Worcester ;
 Charles B. Pratt and others of Worcester ;
 The Robinson Engraving Co. and others of Boston ;
 The Russia Cement Co. and others of Gloucester ;
 M. G. Crane and others of Newton ;
 The Mechanics' Savings Bank and others of Worces-
 ter ;
 Robert J. Tabraham & Co. of Boston ;
 The Gloucester Mutual Fishing Insurance Company and
 others of Gloucester ;
 The Holyoke Machine Company and others of Holyoke ;
 Nichols, Bellamy & Co. and others of Boston ;
 The American Steam Gauge Co. and others of Boston ;
 and
 Stanley & Co. and others of Lawrence, severally that
 telephone rates may be limited by law ;
 To the committee on Mercantile Affairs.
- Boston &**
Lowell R.R. Co. A petition of Wilbur F. Newhall and others in aid of
 that of the Boston and Lowell Railroad Co. for authority

to build a branch connecting the Mystic branch with the Salem and Lowell Railroad ;

To the committee on Railroads.

A petition of D. A. Paulk and others for legislation relative to the construction of a public highway and bridge across the Connecticut River in the city of Holyoke and town of Chicopee ; and

Holyoke and
Chicopee.

A petition of Henry Hobart and Benjamin W. Harris for the widening of Central Street in East Bridgewater by taking a portion of the Old Graveyard, so called, and for other purposes (under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule) ;

Henry Hobart
et al.

Severally to the committee on Roads and Bridges.

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

The Senate bill to provide for the weekly payment of wages by corporations was read a third time.

Wages, —
Payment of.

Mr. Norris proposed the following amendment : Add to section 1 the following : “ And *provided, further*, that railroad corporations shall not be required to pay at such intervals, except to such employees as request it, or unless directed by the Railroad Commissioners,” and the vote on the adoption thereof was taken by yeas and nays, as follows, to wit : —

YEAS. — Messrs. Gould,
Harlow,
Norris,
Wilbur. — 10.

Gove,
Jefts,
Nourse,

Gunn,
Milliken,
Scott,

NAYS. — Messrs. Alger,
Cogswell,
Emerson,
Hayes,
Jefferson,
Joyner,
Locke,
Murphy,
Reed,

Bigelow,
Douglas,
Forbes,
Howard,
Jones, E. D. G.,
Kendricken,
McGahey,
Naphen,
Tappan,

Boynton,
Dunbar,
Gleason,
Howland,
Jones, F. W.,
Lilley,
Morse,
Phillips,
Walker. — 27.

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Joslin,

Morrill. — 2.

So the amendment was rejected.

Mr. Nourse proposed to amend the bill by inserting after the word “ days,” in the fifth line of section 1, the

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words "excluding Sundays and legal holidays," and the vote on the motion was determined as follows, to wit : —

YEAS. — Messrs. Boynton,	Dunbar,	Forbes,
Gleason,	Gunn,	Harlow.
Jefts,	Joslin,	Kendricken,
Milliken,	Morrill,	Morse,
Norris,	Nourse,	Reed,
Scott,	Tappan,	Wilbur. — 18.

NAYS. — Messrs. Alger,	Bigelow,	Cogswell,
Douglas,	Emerson,	Gould,
Hayes,	Howard,	Howland,
Jefferson,	Jones, E. D. G.,	Jones, F. W.
Lilley,	Locke,	McGahey,
Murphy,	Naphen,	Phillips,
Walker. — 19.		

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Gove, Joyner. — 2.

And the amendment was rejected.

The second amendment proposed by Mr. Nourse, and the amendments of Messrs. Joyner, Phillips and Scott, were severally rejected.

The amendments proposed severally by Messrs. Forbes and Morse were ruled out by the Chair, the same having been rejected by the Senate as taken into the substitute proposed by Mr. Joyner.

The question on passing the bill to be engrossed was determined as follows, to wit ; —

YEAS. — Messrs. Alger,	Bigelow,	Boynton,
Cogswell,	Douglas,	Dunbar,
Emerson,	Forbes,	Gleason,
Gould,	Harlow,	Hayes,
Howard,	Howland,	Jefferson,
Jefts,	Jones, E. D. G.,	Jones, F. W.,
Joslin,	Kendricken,	Lilley,
Locke,	McGahey,	Milliken,
Morrill,	Morse,	Murphy,
Naphen,	Norris,	Phillips,
Reed,	Scott,	Tappan,
Walker. — 34.		

NAYS. — Messrs. Gunn,	Nourse,	Wilbur. — 3.
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ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Gove, Joyner. — 2.

So the bill passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

The House bill to authorize the Massachusetts Baptist Convention to hold additional real and personal estate, was further considered and passed to be engrossed in concurrence. Mass. Baptist Convention.

The bills

Relating to the salaries of certain court officers in the county of Suffolk; Bills.

To change the name of the Blair Tourograph and Dry Plate Company; and

Authorizing the Boston Tow Boat Company to increase its capital stock, were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Senate bill to provide clerical assistance for the State library, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The Senate bill to amend the charter of the Chicopee Water Company, and to authorize it to issue bonds and mortgage its franchise and other property to secure its bonds, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The Senate bill to amend the charter of the city of Newburyport was read a third time and passed to be engrossed as taken into a new draft reported by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, entitled a "Bill relating to the salary of the mayor of Newburyport."

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The House bill to confirm and make valid the name, organization and proceedings of the South Groton Christian Union of Ayer, and to change the name of said organization; and

The House resolve providing for the purchase of land, and for certain repairs and furniture at the State Normal School at Bridgewater, were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

The Senate resolve in favor of William L. Chipman was read a third time and passed to be engrossed. William L. Chipman.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Walter M.
Brown.

The Senate report of the committee on Military Affairs, on the petition of Walter M. Brown, for compensation or other relief for damages or injuries sustained by him while in the performance of his duty as a soldier in the service of the State, was accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Pardons.

The Senate report of the committee on Prisons on the list of pardons granted during the year 1885 was accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Ballots.

The House report of the committee on Election Laws, on an order relative to amending chapter 248 of the Acts of the year 1885 relating to the counterfeiting of ballots was accepted in concurrence.

Agricultural
Experiment
Station.

The resolve to provide for completing and furnishing a laboratory for the Massachusetts Agricultural Experiment Station was read a second time.

Mr. Joyner raised the point of order that the resolve is not properly before the Senate, on the ground that the committee has exceeded the scope of its authority in reporting a resolve providing for the expenditure of \$6,500, when the resolve committed appropriated but \$5,000; but before a ruling was had thereon, the Senate

Adjourned.

THURSDAY, February 25, 1886.

Met according to adjournment.

Public Statutes.

Mr. Cogswell, from the committee on the Judiciary, on an order in relation to the subject, reported

A resolve providing for a new index of the Public Statutes of the Commonwealth, and the same was read and referred to the committee on the Treasury.

Mr. Hayes, from the committee on Banks and Banking, on the Annual Report of the Commissioners of Savings Banks, reported

Savings Banks.

A bill in relation to loans by savings banks and institutions for savings on personal security, and the same was read and ordered to a second reading.

Mr. Douglas, from the committee on the Treasury, on the Senate resolve providing for printing extra copies of the report of the Board of Gas Commissioners; and the House resolve

In favor of Charles and Nancy McLaughlin; and

Mr. Morrill, from the same committee, on the House resolves

Fixing the compensation of the Commission appointed to consider a general system of drainage for the valleys of the Mystic, Blackstone and Charles Rivers; and

In favor of the Trustees of the Soldiers' Home in Massachusetts, severally reported that these resolves ought to pass, and they were ordered to a second reading.

Mr. Wilbur, from the committee on Cities, on so much of the Governor's Address as relates to municipal expenditures, reported that no legislation is necessary thereon.

Mr. Dunbar, from the committee on Election Laws, on the Order relative to legislation respecting the qualification of voters in municipal elections; and

Mr. Cogswell, from the committee on the Judiciary, on the Order relative to calling a convention to revise the Constitution, severally reported that it is inexpedient to legislate thereon.

Mr. Cogswell, from the committee on the Judiciary, on the petition of Eugene Tappan and others for the increase of the jurisdiction of the constables of the city of Boston; and

The same Senator, from the joint committee on the Judiciary, on the petition of Jonathan A. Lane and others for the appointment of a Solicitor-General, reported that the petitioners severally have leave to withdraw, and these reports were read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow.

Petitions were presented and referred as follows:—

By Mr. Naphen, petitions of Simpson McIntire and others, and the Raymond Skate Company and others;

By Mr. Gleason, a petition of the Fitchburg Gas Company and others; and

By Mr. Kendrick, the petition of the T. P. Dresser

Manufacturing Company and others, that telephone rates may be limited by law ;

Severally to the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The following order was laid over : —

On motion of Mr. Napheu, —

Naturalization.

Ordered, That the opinion of the Justices of the Supreme Judicial Court be requested upon the constitutionality of section seven of chapter three hundred and forty-five of the Acts of the year eighteen hundred and eighty-five, in relation to naturalization of aliens.

Papers from the House.

Bills

Bills.

To regulate the printing and distributing ballots on the question of granting licenses for the sale of intoxicating liquors (in a new draft of the Senate bill of the same title) ;

To incorporate the Concord Creamery Company (on the petition of William M. Hunt and others) ;

Giving additional time for the assessment of taxes in certain cases (on an order in relation to the subject) ; and

In relation to the returns of assessors (on an order in relation to the subject), were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

The following papers were severally referred in concurrence : —

Petitions of

School Committee.

Mary L. Lougee and others ; and

A. S. Twombly and others, for legislation to provide for the election of school committees on separate ballots ;

Severally to the committee on Education.

Petitions of

Ballots.

F. L. Chapman and others ; and

L. Edwin Dudley and others, for a law to regulate the distribution of ballots at elections in cities ;

Severally, to the committee on Election Laws.

Petitions of

A. W. Stearns and others of Lawrence ;
 Jesse Gould and others of Chelsea ;
 L. Pickert & Co. and others of Boston ;
 Shepard & Morse Lumber Co. and others of Boston ;
 Fitchburg Machine Works and others of Fitchburg ;
 The Tremont Foundry Co. and others of Boston ;
 The E. Stebbins Manufacturing Co. and others of
 Springfield ;
 J. S. Ludlow and others of Lowell ;
 Moody & Bartlett and others of Haverhill ;
 Henry Seymour Cutlery Co. and others of Holyoke ;
 W. G. Nash and others of Boston ; and
 W. Henry Hutchinson and others of Lynn, that tele-
 phone rates may be limited by law ;

Telephone
Rates.

Severally to the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

A remonstrance of Frederick W. Pease and others
 against the annexation of the town of West Springfield to
 the city of Springfield ;

West Spring-
field.

To the committee on Towns.

A petition of the city of Malden for authority to issue
 additional water bonds for the purpose of providing an
 additional water supply and extending the water works
 (under suspension of the 12th Joint Rule) ; and

Malden.

Petitions of

Walter W. Hollenbeck and 127 others ;
 Of Henry W. Wright and 28 others ; and
 Of Charles F. Brusie and 73 others, severally in aid
 of the petition of E. D. Brainard and others for incorpo-
 ration as the Berkshire Heights Water Company ;

Berkshire
Heights Water
Company.

Severally to the committee on Water Supply.

A report discharging the committee on Railroads from
 the further consideration of the order to consider the ex-
 pediency of amending chapter 113 of the Public Statutes
 so as to constitute the railroad commissioners a board of
 appeal in the matter of location, and in regulating and
 permitting the use of motive power, and referring the
 same to the committee on Street Railways, was accepted
 in concurrence.

Motive Power
on Railroads.

A petition of the selectmen and citizens of Winthrop,
 that the town of Winthrop may be authorized to raise
 money for sewerage purposes, and that a hearing may be

Winthrop.

had, after due notice, came up referred to the committee on Drainage, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule, with instructions to hear the petitioners after due notice, and the Senate non-concurred therein, and the petition was referred to the next General Court under said rule.

Bills Enacted and Resolves Passed.

Bills enacted
and to
Governor.

The following engrossed bills (the first of which originated in the Senate), passed to be enacted, to wit:—

To amend the charter of the Naumkeag Street Railway Company and to authorize said company to purchase the Salem Street Railway.

To authorize the city of Lawrence to maintain a bridge over the South Canal of the Essex Company on Broadway in said city.

To permit the sheriff of the county of Nantucket to retain to his own use all fees received by him for the service of processes.

In addition to an act to incorporate the Dedham Historical Society.

To authorize the Young Men's Christian Association of Worcester to hold additional real and personal estate.

Amending the charter of the Lynn and Boston Railroad Company.

To authorize the town of Dedham to raise money for the celebration of the 250th anniversary of its incorporation.

An engrossed resolve in favor of Benjamin C. Piper (which originated in the Senate) passed, and with the above-named bills was laid before the Governor for his approval.

Agricultural
Experiment
Station.

The Orders of the Day were taken up and the unfinished business of yesterday was further considered, viz.,

The resolve to provide for completing and furnishing a laboratory for the Massachusetts Agricultural Experiment Station.

The Chair decided that the point of order raised by Mr. Joyner, yesterday, was not well taken (see Appendix), and the resolve was ordered to a third reading.

Naturalization.

The bill to repeal section seven of chapter three hundred and forty-five of the Acts of the year eighteen hundred and eighty-five, relating to naturalization, was laid on the table.

The resolve in favor of Patrick Corr; and the

Report of the committee Military Affairs, on the petition of Patrick Corr, for the payment of arrearages alleged to be due him for military service in the army of the United States, were severally referred to the committee on the Judiciary. Patrick Corr.

The House report of the committee on Taxation, on the petition of the town of Princeton for the repeal of the law exempting church property from taxation, was accepted in concurrence. Princeton.

The bills

Relating to the bonds of treasurers of savings banks and institutions for savings ; Bills.

To limit the amount which savings banks may deposit in any one national bank or trust company ;

To authorize the Williston Seminary to hold additional real and personal estate ;

To authorize the town of South Abington to change its name ; and the

Resolve in favor of the town of Hanson, were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading. Hanson,—Town of.

The bill to incorporate the Union Congregational Church in Plainville in the town of Wrentham, was read a second time and laid on the table. Wrentham,—Town of

The bill in relation to the assessment and registration of women as voters, was read a second time, amended on motion of Mr. Dunbar, and ordered to a third reading. Woman.

The resolve to amend the Constitution so as to provide for biennial elections being considered, Mr. Reed moved that the further consideration thereof be postponed until Wednesday next, the 3d of March, and the question on that motion was taken by yeas and nays, as follows, to wit :— Biennial Elections.

YEAS — Messrs. Alger, Emerson, Howard, Joslin, Lilley, Morrill, Reed. — 19.	Cogswell, Gove, Jones, E. D. G., Joyner, Locke, Murphy,	Douglas, Hayes, Jones, F. W., Kendricken, McGahey, Naphen,
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NAYS. — Messrs. Bigelow, Forbes, Gunn, Jefts, Nourse, Walker,	Boynton, Gleason, Howland, Morse, Phillips, Wilbur. — 17.	Dunbar, Gould, Jefferson, Norris, Scott,
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ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Harlow,

Milliken,

Tappan. — 3.

So the motion prevailed.

The House bills

Suffolk County.

Relating to the salaries of certain court officers in the county of Suffolk ;

Blair Tourograph.

To change the name of the Blair Tourograph and Dry Plate Company ; and

Boston Tow Boat Company.

Authorizing the Boston Tow Boat Company to increase its capital stock, were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Registrars of Voters.

The Senate report of the committee on Election Laws, on the order relative to requiring registrars of voters to hold no other office or position by election or appointment, was accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The House reports

Reports.

Of the committee on Public Health, on the report of the Board of Registration in Pharmacy ;

Of the committee on Military Affairs, on the petition of Sarah Clark of Boston for State aid ; and

Of the same committee, on the petition of Thomas Riley of Boston for State aid, were severally accepted in concurrence.

National House of Representatives.—Speakers of.

A message was received from the Governor, transmitting a memorial of the senators and representatives in Congress from Massachusetts respecting the furnishing by the Commonwealth of the portraits of Speakers Sedgwick, Varnum and Banks in the collection of the Speakers in House of Representatives of the United States, and the same was read and laid on the table.

State Board of Health.

The Senate bill to establish a State Board of Health, was further considered, and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

FRIDAY, February 26, 1886.

Met according to adjournment.

Mr. Scott, from the committee on the Judiciary, on the petition of Thomas F. Nutter, reported a bill to provide that lodging-house keepers shall have a lien on the baggage and effects of their lodgers; and

Lodging-House
Keepers.

Mr. Joslin, from the committee on Banks and Banking, on the petition of the Springfield Safe Deposit and Trust Company, reported a bill to amend the charter of the Springfield Safe Deposit and Trust Company, and these bills were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Springfield Safe
Deposit and
Trust Co.

Mr. Gould, from the committee on Military Affairs, on the petition of Lawrence N. Duchesney, reported a resolve in favor of the same, and it was read and referred to the committee on the Treasury.

Lawrence N.
Duchesney.

Mr. Gould, from the committee on Railroads, on the order relative to amending section 169 of chapter 112 of the Public Statutes, so that all its provisions shall apply to passenger as well as to freight trains; and

Railroad
Companies

Also the expediency of legislation providing that no railroad shall use any grade crossing in any city of this Commonwealth in making up its freight or passenger trains, reported that it is inexpedient to legislate thereon, and the report was read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow.

Ibid.

On motion of Mr. Jones of Berkshire, the resolutions in relation to the Indian policy of the United States were taken from the table and ordered to be placed in the Orders of the Day for Monday next.

Indian Policy.

On motion of Mr. Naphen, the House resolve to amend the Constitution relative to the qualification of voters for governor, lieutenant-governor, senators and representatives, was taken from the table and ordered to be placed first in the Orders of the Day for Tuesday next.

Poll Tax.

On motion of Mr. Morrill, the message of the Governor, transmitting a memorial of the senators and representatives in Congress from Massachusetts respecting the furnishing by the Commonwealth of the portraits of Speakers

National House
of Representa-
tives.

Sedgwick, Varnum and Banks in the collection of the Speakers of the House of Representatives of the United States, was taken from the table and referred to the committee on Expenditures.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Orders Adopted.

On motion of Mr. Lilley, —

Rules. *Ordered*, That the joint committee on Rules consider the expediency of repealing the 9th and 12th Joint Rules.

The following order, laid over from yesterday, was rejected :—

Ordered, That the opinion of the justices of the Supreme Judicial Court be requested upon the following question :—

Naturalization. “Is section seven of chapter three hundred and forty-five of the Acts of the year eighteen hundred and eighty-five, providing that a person naturalized in any court shall not be registered as a voter within thirty days of naturalization, in conflict with section one of article fourteen of the amendments of the Constitution of the United States?”

Papers from the House.

Tobacco. A bill to prohibit the sale or gift of tobacco to persons under sixteen years of age, on the petition of the Woman's State Christian Temperance Union and others, was read and ordered to a second reading.

Charles H. Baker et als. Report of the committee on Military Affairs, granting leave to withdraw, on the petition of Charles H. Baker and others, soldiers who served in the First Battalion Mass. Volunteers, Heavy Artillery, Co. A, asking that they be paid a bounty; and

Julia Carroll. On the petition of Julia Carroll for State aid, and a petition in aid of the same, were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow.

Referred to committees :—

Stoneham. A bill to authorize the town of Stoneham to refund certain taxes was read and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Resolves

In favor of the Massachusetts Charitable Eye and Ear **Resolves.**
Infirmary ;

In favor of the Overseers of the Poor of Chatham ; and
 In favor of Malvina S. Simpson (on petitions of the
 same), were severally read and referred to the committee
 on the Treasury.

The following papers were severally referred in concurrence : —

A petition of Ellen J. Whitaker for legislation to provide for the election of school committees on separate ballots ; and **School Committees.**

A petition of the selectmen and school committee of the town of Plymouth for its share of the school fund (under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule) ; **Plymouth.**

Severally to the committee on Education.

A petition of John C. Ropes and others, for a law to regulate the distribution of ballots at elections in cities ; **Ballots.**

To the committee on Election Laws.

Petitions of the
 Linwood Woolen Co. and others of North Adams ; and **Telephone Rates.**
 Clinton Yarn Co. and others of Clinton, that telephone
 rates may be limited by law ;

Severally to the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

A petition of the New York and Boston Inland Railroad Company, that the time may be extended within which to build and complete its railroad (under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule) ; and **New York & Boston R.R. Co.**

A petition of the Chamber of Commerce of Boston for legislation relative to allowing railroads to carry merchandise on the Lord's Day ; **Railroads.**

Severally to the committee on Railroads.

A petition of the Third Congregational Society of Cambridge for an act enabling said society to convey certain property to the Episcopal Society in East Cambridge and to confirm the proceedings of the first named society, for other purposes (under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule), to the committee on Parishes and Religious Societies. **Cambridge.**

On motion of Mr. Cogswell, the vote by which the Senate yesterday refused to suspend the 12th Joint Rule to **Winthrop.**

admit a petition of the selectmen and citizens of Winthrop, was reconsidered, and the petition referred in concurrence to the committee on Drainage, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule, with instructions to hear the petitioners after due notice shall have been given.

The following House order was adopted in concurrence : —

Hoosac Tunnel,
etc.

Ordered, That the committee on Hoosac Tunnel and Troy and Greenfield Railroad be authorized to visit the tunnel and railroad and connections, for examination thereof, at such times as they may deem expedient.

Bills Enacted.

Bills enacted
and to
Governor.

The following engrossed bills, the first two of which originated in the Senate, passed to be enacted, and were laid before the Governor for his approval, to wit : —

To provide for the organization of the school committee of the city of Boston.

To amend an act to incorporate the trustees of the Soldiers' Home in Massachusetts.

To amend section eleven of chapter one hundred and forty-five of the Public Statutes, relating to marriage.

To increase the number of associate justices of the Superior Court.

To change the name of the corporation known as the Working Union of Progressive Spiritualists of Boston.

Making appropriations for deficiencies in appropriations for certain expenses authorized in the year 1885.

The Orders of the Day were taken up, and the Bills

Bills.

In relation to loans by savings banks and institutions for savings on personal security ;

To regulate the printing and distribution of ballots on the question of granting licenses for the sale of intoxicating liquors ;

To incorporate the Concord Creamery Company ;

Giving additional time for the assessment of taxes in certain cases ; and the

Resolves

Resolves.

Providing for printing extra copies of the Report of the Board of Gas Commissioners ;

Fixing the compensation of the Commission appointed

to consider a general system of drainage for the valleys of the Mystic, Blackstone and Charles Rivers ;

In favor of the Trustees of the Soldiers' Home in Massachusetts ; and

In favor of Charles and Nancy McLaughlin, were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The bill in relation to the returns of assessors was read Assessors. a second time, amended, on motion of Mr. Morse, and ordered to a third reading.

The Senate bill to limit the amount which savings banks Savings Banks. may deposit in any one national bank or trust company was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The Senate resolve in favor of the town of Hanson, was Hanson,—
Town of. read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The Senate resolve to provide for completing and furnishing a laboratory for the Massachusetts Agricultural Agricultural
Experiment
Station. Experiment Station was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The House bills

To authorize the Williston Seminary to hold additional Williston
Seminary. real and personal estate ; and

To authorize the town of South Abington to change its So. Abington. name, were severally read a third time, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

The House bill in relation to the assessment and registration of women as voters, was read a third time as heretofore amended, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence, with the amendment, which was sent down for concurrence. Women.

Came up concurred.

The Senate report of the committee on Cities, on so much of the Governor's Address as relates to municipal Municipal
Expenditures expenditures was accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Voters, — Qual-
fication of.

The Senate report of the committee on Election Laws, on the Order relative to legislation respecting the qualifications of voters in municipal elections was accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Jonathan A.
Lane et als.

The Senate report of the joint committee on the Judiciary, on the petition of Jonathan A. Lane and others for the appoitment of a Solicitor-General was accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Constitution.

The Senate reports

Of the committeee on the Judiciary, on the Order relative to calling a convention to revise the Constitution ; and

Eugene Tappan
et als.

On the petition of Eugene Tappan and others for the increase of the jurisdiction of the constables of the city of Boston, were severally accepted.

Adjourned.

MONDAY, March 1, 1886.

Met according to adjournment.

Criminal
Prosecutions.

Mr. Joyner, from the committee on the Judiciary, on the House bill respecting the form of complaints in certain criminal prosecutions, reported that the same ought to pass, and it was ordered to a second reading.

Public Statutes

Mr. Morrill, from the committee on the Treasury, on the Senate resolve providing for a new index of the Public Statutes of the Commonwealth ; and the

House resolves

Chatham.

In favor of the Overseers of the Poor of Chatham ; and

Malvina S.

In favor of Malvina S. Simpson ; and

Simpson.

Lawrence N.
Duchesney.

Mr. Walker, from the same committee, on the Senate resolve in favor of Lawrence N. Duchesney ; and the House

Mass. Char-
itable Eye and
Ear Infirmary.

Resolve in favor of the Massachusetts Charitable Eye and Ear Infirmary, reported that these resolves severally ought to pass, and they were ordered to a second reading.

Savings Banks.

Mr. Lilley moved to reconsider the vote by which the bill to limit the amount which savings banks and institutions for savings may deposit in any one national bank or trust company passed to be engrossed, and the motion was laid on the table.

Petitions were presented and placed on file as follows : —

By Mr. Joslin, petitions of Rev. John Capen and others, Tobacco.
and J. Gorst and others, severally for the prohibition
of the selling or giving away of tobacco to minors.

Papers from the House.

Bills

To incorporate the Montgomery Light Guard Veteran Association (on the petition of Thomas F. Doherty and others) ; and Montgomery Light Guard Veteran Association.

To incorporate the Shawme Savings Bank in Sandwich (on the petition of George T. McLaughlin and others), Shawme Savings Bank.
were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Reports

Of the committee on Election Laws, that it is inexpedient County Officers.
to legislate, on an order relative to providing for the election of county officers upon a separate ballot ; and

Of the committee on the Liquor Law, granting leave to Intoxicating Liquors.
withdraw, on petitions of the Grand Division Sons of Temperance of Massachusetts and others for the enactment of a law against the sale or exposure for sale of spirituous or malt liquors in the grocery stores of the Commonwealth ; and

Of the committee on Railroads, on the petition of John John F. Shea.
F. Shea, that the Boston and Providence Railroad Company may be required to construct suitable bridges over certain streets in the city of Boston, were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow.

The following papers were severally referred in concurrence : —

Petitions of

Lucian D. Trow and 38 others ; and of Milk.

A. J. Pitman and 137 others, severally for legislation relative to the inspection and sale of milk ; and of

J. H. Wilder and others ; and

A. M. Copeland and others, for the establishment of an Arbor Day.
Arbor Day ;

Severally to the committee on Agriculture.

A petition of Rufus N. Stanley and others, that ward Rufus N. Stanley et als.
eight, in the city of Gloucester, may be divided into two

precincts, and that voting places may be established in the same ;

To the committee on Cities (under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule).

School Com-
mittees.

Petitions of

Charles M. Clay and others ;

Lucias B. Marsh and others ;

Dwight Russell and others ; and

Elizabeth W. Stanton and others, for legislation relative to providing for the election of school committees upon separate ballots ;

Severally to the committee on Education.

A petition of R. E. Edwards and others, that telephone rates may be limited by law ;

To the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

Report of Board
of Police Com-
missioners of
the city of
Boston.

Reports discharging the committee on Cities on the several portions of the report of the Board of Police Commissioners of the city of Boston and referring the same as follows, were severally accepted in concurrence, viz. : —

Harbor Service.

To the committee on Harbors and Public Lands, so much of said report as relates to harbor service.

Intoxicating
Liquors.

To the committee on the Liquor Law, so much of said report as relates to the sale of intoxicating liquors.

Street Cars.

To the committee on Street Railways, so much of said report as relates to the regulation of street cars.

Boston, —
Report of Police
Commissioners.

A report of the committee on Cities, asking to be discharged from further consideration of so much of the report of the Board of Police Commissioners of the city of Boston as relates to public carriages, and recommending that the same be referred to the House committee on the Judiciary, came up, and the Senate concurred in so much thereof as discharges the committee on Cities.

The following orders were severally adopted in concurrence : —

Water.

Ordered, That the committee on Water Supply consider the expediency of legislation authorizing persons to incorporate for the purpose of supplying water under a general law.

Truant Schools.

Ordered, That the committee on Education consider the expediency of repealing section 14 of chapter 48 of the Public Statutes relative to the establishment of county truant schools and union county truant schools.

The Orders of the Day were taken up, and the Bills

To provide that lodging-house keepers shall have a lien Lodging-House Keepers. on the baggage and effects of their lodgers; and

To amend the charter of the Springfield Safe Deposit and Trust Company, were severally read a second time Springfield Safe Deposit and Trust Co. and ordered to a third reading.

The House bill to prohibit the sale or gift of tobacco to Tobacco. persons under sixteen years of age was read a second time.

Mr. Harlow moved that the further consideration of the bill be postponed until Thursday, the 4th inst., and the question on this motion was taken by yeas and nays as follows, to wit: —

YEAS. — Messrs. Emerson,	Harlow,	Joslin,
Kendricken,	Lilley,	Milliken,
Morrill,	Morse,	Norris,
Nourse,	Reed,	Wilbur — 12.

NAYS. — Messrs. Alger,	Cogswell,	Douglas,
Dunbar,	Hayes.	Howard,
Howland,	Jones. F. W.,	Joyner,
Naphen,	Phillips,	Scott,
Walker. — 13.		

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Bigelow,	Boynton,	Forbes,
Gleason,	Gould,	Gove,
Gunn,	Jefferson,	Jefts,
Jones, E. D. G.,	Locke,	Tappan. — 12.

PAIRED. — Mr. Murphy (yea) with Mr. McGahey (nay). — 2.

So the motion was lost.

The bill was then amended on motion of Mr. Dunbar as follows: —

Strike out of section 1, line 1, the words “or give,” and insert a new section as follows: —

SECTION 2. No person other than the minor's parent or guardian shall give any cigarette, snuff or tobacco in any of its forms to any minor under sixteen years of age.

Mr. Kendricken moved that the bill be indefinitely postponed, and the question on that motion was determined as follows, to wit: —

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YEAS. — Messrs. Alger, Cogswell, Douglas,
Dunbar, Hayes, Howard,
Jones, F. W., Joyner, Kendrickken,
Milliken, Napphen, Phillips,
Scott, Walker. — 14.

NAYS. — Messrs. Harlow, Howland, Joslin,
Lilley, Morrill, Morse,
Norris, Nourse, Reed,
Wilbur. — 10.

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Bigelow, Boynton, Emerson,
Forbes, Gleason, Gould,
Gove, Gunn, Jefferson,
Jefts, Jones, E. D. G. Locke,
Tappan. — 13.

PAIRED. — Mr. McGahey (yea) with Mr. Murphy (nay). — 2.

And the bill was accordingly indefinitely postponed.

Savings Banks. The Senate bill in relation to loans by savings banks and institutions for savings on personal property was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.
Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Gas Commissioners. The Senate resolve providing for printing extra copies of the report of the Board of Gas Commissioners was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Bills. The House bills
To regulate the printing and distributing ballots on the question of granting licenses for the sale of intoxicating liquors ;

Giving additional time for the assessment of taxes in certain cases ; and

The House resolves

Resolves. Fixing the compensation of the Commission appointed to consider a general system of drainage for the valleys of the Mystic, Blackstone and Charles Rivers ; and

In favor of the Trustees of the Soldiers' Home in Massachusetts, were severally read and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Assessors. The House bill in relation to the returns of assessors, was read a third time as heretofore amended, and passed

to be engrossed in concurrence with the amendment, which was sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The Senate report of the committee on Railroads, on the order relative to amending section 169 of chapter 112 of the Public Statutes, so that all its provisions shall apply to passenger as well as to freight trains; and

Railroad Companies.

Also the expediency of legislation providing that no railroad shall use any grade crossing in any city of this Commonwealth in making up its freight or passenger trains, was accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The House reports on Military Affairs, on the petition of Charles H. Baker and others, soldiers who served in the First Battalion Massachusetts Volunteers, Heavy Artillery, Co. A, asking that they be paid a bounty for certain military services; and on the

Charles H. Baker et als.

Petition of Julia Carroll for State aid, were severally accepted in concurrence.

Julia Carroll.

Adjourned.

TUESDAY, March 2, 1886.

Met according to adjournment.

Mr. Emerson, from the committee on Parishes and Religious Societies, on the petition of the Massachusetts Baptist Charitable Society, reported a bill to authorize the Massachusetts Baptist Charitable Society to hold additional real and personal estate; and

Mass. Baptist Charitable Society.

Mr. Morse, from the same committee, on the petition of Richard Eddy and another, reported a bill to amend chapter 66 of the Acts of the year 1859 to incorporate the Massachusetts Universalist Convention; and these bills were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Mass. Universalist Convention.

Mr. Gould, from the committee on Military Affairs, on the petition of Rebekah G. Dyer for state aid, reported that the petitioner have leave to withdraw, and the report was read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow.

Rebekah G. Dyer et als.

Postage.

Mr. Morse introduced resolutions relative to the proposed increase of postage on fourth class mail matter, and the same were adopted and sent down for concurrence.

Petition Presented and Referred.

Woman Suffrage.

By Mr. Morse, a petition of Jennie A. Colton and others, that women may be allowed to vote on the question of granting licenses for the sale of intoxicating liquors; To the committee on Woman Suffrage.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Paper from the House.

Certificates of Corporations.

An abstract of the certificates of corporations was referred to the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

Bill Enacted.

Bill enacted and to Governor.

An engrossed bill relating to the salaries of certain court officers in the county of Suffolk (which originated in the House) passed to be enacted and was laid before the Governor for his approval.

Tobacco.

Mr. Harlow moved to reconsider the vote by which the Senate indefinitely postponed the bill to prohibit the sale or gift of tobacco to persons under sixteen years of age, and that motion prevailing the question then recurred on the indefinite postponement of the bill, and the vote thereon was taken by yeas and nays as follows, to wit:—

YEAS. — Messrs.	Alger,	Cogswell,	Douglas,
	Dunbar,	Hayes,	Howard,
	Joyner,	Kendricken,	Locke,
	McGahey,	Naphen,	Phillips,
	Scott,	Walker. — 14.	
NAYS. — Messrs.	Bigelow,	Boynton,	Emerson,
	Forbes,	Gleason,	Gould,
	Gunn,	Harlow,	Howland,
	Jefferson,	Jefts,	Jones, E. D. C.,
	Joslin,	Lilley,	Milliken,
	Morrill,	Morse,	Murphy,
	Norris,	Nourse,	Reed,
	Tappan,	Wilbur. — 23.	

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Gove.

Jones, F. W. — 2.

The question then recurring on ordering the bill as heretofore amended to a third reading the vote thereon was determined as follows, to wit:—

YEAS. — Messrs. Bigelow, Forbes, Gunn, Jefferson, Joslin, Murphy, Tappan,	Boynton, Gleason, Harlow, Jefts, Morrill, Nourse, Wilbur. — 20.	Emerson, Gould, Howland, Jones, E. D. G., Morse, Reed,
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NAYS. — Messrs. Alger, Dunbar, Jones, F. W., Locke, Naphen, Walker. — 16.	Cogswell, Hayes, Kendricken, McGahey, Phillips,	Douglas, Howard, Lilley, Milliken, Scott,
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ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Mr. Gove.

PAIRED. — Mr. Norris (yea) with Mr. Joyner (nay).

So the bill was ordered to a third reading.

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

The resolve to amend the Constitution relative to the ^{Constitution.} qualification of voters for governor, lieutenant-governor, senators and representatives was read a second time. Mr. Norris moved to lay the resolve on the table, and the question on the motion was taken by yeas and nays as follows, to wit : —

YEAS. — Messrs. Bigelow, Emerson, Gould, Harlow Jones, E. D. G., Morrill, Nourse, Tappan,	Boynton, Forbes, Gove, Jefferson, Joslin, Morse, Phillips, Walker,	Dunbar, Gleason, Gunn, Jefts, Milliken, Norris, Scott, Wilbur. — 24.
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NAYS. — Messrs. Alger, Hayes, Jones, F. W., Locke, Naphen,	Cogswell, Howard, Kendricken, McGahey, Reed. — 14.	Douglas, Howland, Lilley, Murphy,
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ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Mr. Joyner.

And the resolve was accordingly laid on the table.

The bills
Respecting the form of complaints in certain criminal bills.
prosecutions ;

To incorporate the Montgomery Light Guard Veteran Association;

To incorporate the Shawme Savings Bank in Sandwich; and the

Resolves

Resolves. Providing for a new index of the Public Statutes of the Commonwealth;

In favor of Lawrence N. Duchesney;

In favor of the Massachusetts Charitable Eye and Ear Infirmary;

In favor of the Overseers of the Poor of Chatham;

In favor of Malvina S. Simpson were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Indian Policy. The Senate resolutions in relation to the Indian policy of the United States were adopted.

Sent down for concurrence.

Savings Banks. The Senate bill relating to the bonds of treasurers of savings banks and institutions for savings was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Concord Creamery Co. The House bill to incorporate the Concord Creamery Company was read a third time, amended on motion of Mr. Gleason, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence with the amendment, which was sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Charles and Nancy McLaughlin. The House resolve in favor of Charles and Nancy McLaughlin was read a third time, amended as proposed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence with the amendment, which was sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Lodging-House Keepers. The Senate bill to provide that lodging-house keepers shall have a lien on the baggage and effects of their lodgers was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Springfield Safe Deposit and Trust Co. The Senate bill to amend the charter of the Springfield Safe Deposit and Trust Company was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The House reports

Of the committee on Election Laws, on an order relative to providing for the election of county officers upon a separate ballot; County Officers.

Of the committee on the Liquor Law, on petitions of the Grand Division Sons of Temperance of Massachusetts and others for the enactment of a law against the sale or exposure for sale, of spirituous or malt liquors in the grocery stores of the Commonwealth; and Intoxicating Liquors.

Of the committee on Railroads, on the petition of John F. Shea, that the Boston and Providence Railroad may be required to construct suitable bridges over certain streets in the city of Boston, be severally accepted in concurrence. John F. Shea.

Adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, March 3, 1886.

Met according to adjournment.

Mr. Gleason, from the committee on Towns, on the petition of William F. Draper and others, reported Hopedale.

A bill to incorporate the town of Hopedale, and the same was read and ordered to a second reading.

Mr. Morrill, from the committee on the Liquor Law, on the petition of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union of Massachusetts for an amendment of the Constitution prohibiting the manufacture and sale of intoxicating liquors as a beverage, reported that the petitioner have leave to withdraw; and Intoxicating Liquors.

Mr. Gould, from the committee on Military Affairs, on the order relative to amending section 164, chapter 14 of the Public Statutes, relating to the militia, with reference to the construction of the words "soldier" and "company," by inserting between the words "include" and "battery," in the third and fourth lines of said section, the words "the signal corps, ambulance corps and," so that as amended the word "company" shall include the signal corps and battery, reported that it is inexpedient to legislate thereon; and these reports were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow. Militia.

Mr. Jones of Essex offered the following order, which was laid over on the objection of Mr. Norris :—

Convict Labor.

Ordered, That the Prison Commissioners be requested to inform the Legislature as to the number of prisoners in the several prisons of the Commonwealth, the number employed at remunerative labor in each prison, the prices at which they are employed, the industries in which they are engaged, and the system under which they are employed. Also, if under the contract system, tobacco is furnished them by the contractor. Also the cost and earnings for each prison for the last fiscal year. And if prisoners are paid for overwork, and how much.

Referred to Committees.

Telephone Rates.

Petitions, etc., were presented and referred as follows :—
By Mr. Boynton, a petition A. J. Houghton & Co., that telephone rates may be limited by law ;
To the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

Turner's Falls Fire District.

By Mr. Gunn, a petition of the committee on Water Supply of the Turner's Falls Fire District in the town of Montague, for authority to take water from the Connecticut River and springs or other water sources in the town of Montague ;

To the committee on Water Supply (under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule).

Massachusetts Reformatory.

The President laid before the Senate the First Annual Report of the Commissioners of Prisons on the Massachusetts Reformatory, and the same was referred to the committee on Prisons.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Papers from the House.

Bills

Edgartown and Cottage City.

To provide for the future maintenance of the bridge over Sengekontacket Opening, between the towns of Edgartown and Cottage City (in a new draft of the Senate bill of the same title) ; and

Boylston Mutual Insurance Company.

To change the name of the Boylston Mutual Insurance Company (on the petition of the same), were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Reports

Of the committee on Banks and Banking, that it is in- Savings Banks.
expedient to legislate, on an order relative to requiring
treasurers of savings banks to make returns to the com-
missioners of savings banks, of the names of certain de-
positors ;

Of the same committee. granting leave to withdraw, on Wales B. Thayer.
the petition of Wales B. Thayer for the better regulation
of savings banks ; and

Of the committee on Military Affairs, leave to withdraw, William D. Taber.
on the petition of William D. Taber for military aid, were
severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-
morrow.

Referred to committees :—

Bills

To establish the number of medical examiners and the Bills.
districts of the same in the county of Plymouth ;

Concerning the punishment for rape ;

To provide for the redemption of lands set off on execu-
tion ; and

To authorize police courts to order the defendant in civil
cases to file an answer, were severally read and referred
to the committee on the Judiciary.

A bill to establish the polls and estates of the several
cities and towns in the Commonwealth, was read and
referred to the committee on the Treasury.

The following papers were severally referred in concur-
rence :—

The Third Annual Report of the Board of Control of the Agricultural Experiment Station.
State Agricultural Experiment Station ; and

Petitions of

F. W. Lewis and others ; and

Arbor Day.

E. B. Simpson and others, for the establishment of an
Arbor Day ;

Severally to the committee on Agriculture.

A summary of annual reports of county officers ;

County Officers.

To the committee on Banks and Banking.

A petition of the selectmen and 325 others of North- Blackstone River.
bridge for legislation to prevent the further pollution of
the Blackstone River by the Worcester system of sewerage ;

To the committee on Drainage.

School Committees. Petitions of
 S. W. Andrews and others ;
 George W. Witherell and others ;
 Joseph Goddard and others ; and
 George L. Hunter and others, for legislation **providing**
 for the election of school committees upon **separate** bal-
 lots ;

Severally to the committee on Education.

Mrs. Dora Whitney.

A petition of Mrs. Dora Whitney, that she **may** be
 granted State aid ;

To the committee on Military Affairs (under a suspen-
 sion of the 12th Joint Rule).

**W. N. Hough-
 ton et als.**

A petition of W. N. Houghton and others, that **the** time
 for completing the Lancaster Railroad be shortened two
 years ; and

Worcester.

A petition of the city of Worcester for authority to re-
 move railroad tracks from Foster Street (under a suspen-
 sion of the 12th Joint Rule) ;

Severally to the committee on Railroads.

**Shawsheen
 River.**

A remonstrance of Joseph F. Cole and others of Andover
 against the taking of the water of Shawsheen River by the
 city of Boston ;

To the committee on Water Supply.

Bills Enacted and Resolves Passed.

**Bills enacted
 and to
 Governor.**

The following engrossed bills (the first of which origi-
 nated in the Senate), passed to be enacted to wit :—

Extending the State aid laws to the one-hundred-days
 troops of eighteen hundred and sixty-four.

Making an appropriation to aid in the erection of a
 monument in commemoration of the battle of Bennington.

To establish the salaries of the clerks in the office of the
 Treasurer and Receiver-General and provide for their
 proper designation.

The following engrossed resolves (all of which originated
 in the House),

**Resolves
 passed, etc.**

In favor of Mark Pickering ;

In favor of Robert C. Davis ; and

In favor of Osborne St. John, passed, and with the
 above named bills were laid before the Governor for his
 approval.

The Orders of the Day were taken up, and the

Resolve to amend the Constitution so as to provide for biennial elections was further considered, the question being on ordering the resolve to a third reading, and the vote thereon was determined as follows, to wit:—

YEAS. — Messrs. Bigelow,	Boynton,	Dunbar,
Gleason,	Gould,	Gove,
Gunn,	Harlow,	Howland,
Jefferson,	Jefts,	Joslin,
Kendricken,	Milliken,	Morrill,
Morse,	Norris,	Nourse,
Phillips,	Scott,	Walker,
Wilbur. — 22.		

NAYS. — Messrs. Alger,	Cogswell,	Douglas,
Howard,	Jones, E. D. G.,	Jones, F. W.,
Lilley,	Locke,	McGahey,
Murphy,	Naphen,	Reed. — 12.

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Emerson, Joyner, Tappan. — 3.

PAIRED. — Mr. Forbes (yea) with Mr. Hayes (nay). — 2.

So the resolve was ordered to a third reading.

The bill to incorporate the Union Congregational Church in Plainville in the town of Wrentham, was passed over.

The bills

To authorize the Massachusetts Baptist Charitable Society to hold additional real and personal estate; and

To amend chapter 66 of the Acts of the year 1859 to incorporate the Massachusetts Universalist Convention, were severally read a second and ordered to a third reading.

The House bill to prohibit the sale or gift of tobacco to persons under sixteen years of age, was read a third time as heretofore amended, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence with the amendment, which was sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The House bills

Respecting the form of complaints in certain criminal prosecutions;

To incorporate the Montgomery Light Guard Veteran Association; and

To incorporate the Shawme Savings Bank in Sandwich, were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Public Statutes. The Senate resolve providing for a new index of the Public Statutes of the Commonwealth was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Lawrence N. Duchesney. The Senate resolve in favor of Lawrence N. Duchesney was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Resolves. The House resolves
In favor of the Massachusetts Charitable Eye and Ear Infirmary ;

In favor of the Overseers of the Poor of Chatham ; and

In favor of Malvina S. Simpson, were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Rebekah G. Dyer. The Senate report of the committee on Military Affairs, on the petition of Rebekah G. Dyer for State aid, was accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Adjourned.

THURSDAY, March 4, 1886.

Met according to adjournment.

State Aid. Mr. Gould, from the committee on Military Affairs, on so much of the Governor's Address as refers to State aid, reported

A bill to amend section 18 of chapter 30 of the Public Statutes, in relation to the appointment of persons to investigate claims for reimbursement of State aid under said chapter, and the same was read and referred to the committee on the Treasury.

Military Property. The same Senator from the same committee, on so much of said address as relates to the military department, reported

A bill to enable the quartermaster-general to require annual returns of loaned military property and for other purposes, and the same was read and ordered to a second reading.

Mr. Morrill, from the committee on the Treasury, on the House bill to establish the polls and estates of the several cities and towns in the Commonwealth, reported, asking to be discharged from the further consideration thereof, and the report was accepted and the bill ordered to a second reading. Cities and Towns.

Mr. Cogswell, from the committee on the Judiciary, on The House bills

To establish the number of medical examiners and the districts of the same in the county of Plymouth; and Medical Examiners.

Concerning the punishment of rape; and Rape.

Mr. Dunbar, from the same committee, on the House bill to provide for the redemption of lands set off on execution; and Lands.

Mr. Scott, from the same committee, on the House bill to authorize the police courts to order the defendant in civil cases to file an answer, reported that these bills severally ought to pass, and they were ordered to a second reading. Police Courts.

Mr. Joslin, from the committee on Banks and Banking, on the order relative to requiring of savings banks a system of accounts and the keeping of a record of deposits and of certain facts pertaining to depositors, so that a comprehensive knowledge may be obtained of the amount and sums deposited by the wage-workers of the State, reported that it is inexpedient to legislate thereon, and the report was read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow. Savings Banks.

Petitions, etc., were presented and referred as follows :—

By Mr. Howard, a petition of Edward F. Gilroy and 1,625 others, that the hours of labor for females and children in manufacturing, mechanical and mercantile establishments be limited to fifty-six and one-half hours in each week; Hours of Labor for Females and Children.

To the committee on Labor.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Tufts College.

By Mr. Scott, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule, a petition of the trustees of Tufts College for an amendment to its charter so as to allow it to take and hold real and personal estate, the income of which shall exceed the amount to which it is now limited ;

To the joint committee on the Judiciary.

Sent down for concurrence (in the suspension of the 12th Joint Rule).

Came up concurred.

Redistricting
Commonwealth.

On motion of Mr. Dunbar,—

Ordered, That the committee on redistricting the Commonwealth into senatorial and councillor districts, etc., be authorized to employ clerical assistance and to obtain maps.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Major-General
Hancock.

The following was received from the widow of the late Major-General Hancock, U. S. A. :—

“Mrs. Hancock gratefully acknowledges the receipt of the resolutions of sympathy and condolence adopted by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts upon the death of her dear husband, and so kindly transmitted to her by Mr. Gifford, Clerk of the Senate.”

Papers from the House.

The following papers were severally referred in concurrence :—

A petition of E. D. Howe and others for the establishment of an Arbor Day ;

To the committee on Agriculture.

Arbor Day.

A petition of George H. Morrill and others for legislation providing for the election of school committees upon separate ballots ;

To the committee on Education.

Biennial
Elections and
Sessions.

Remonstrance of

David Merrigan and others ;

W. E. Powers and others ;

A. L. Spinney and others ;

H. B. Colburn and others ;

C. B. Huntington and others ;

Maurice Clare and others ;
 Michael Flanagan and others ;
 James M. M. Carthy and others ;
 William P. Morrison and others ;
 James W. Sharkey and others ;
 Josiah P. Bittner and others ;
 L. C. Blackmer and others ;
 Frank H. Jenness and others ;
 Hugh Knox and others ;
 Patrick Webster and others ;
 Joseph P. Caldwell and others ; and
 George C. Thayer and others, severally against an
 amendment to the Constitution for either biennial elections
 or biennial sessions of the Legislature ;
 To the committee on Election Laws.

A petition of George W. Fisher and 432 others of Blackstone River.
 Grafton, in aid of the proposed bill for the prevention of
 the further pollution of the Blackstone River by the
 Worcester system of sewerage ;
 To the committee on Drainage.

A petition of John J. Dempsey and others of Lowell, Hours of Labor
 for such legislation as will limit the hours of labor to fifty-
 six and one-half hours weekly ;
 To the committee on Labor.

A petition of G. H. Smith and others for legislation
 relative to a free bridge across the Connecticut River be-
 tween Holyoke and Chicopee ;
 To the committee on Roads and Bridges.

A petition of Elias Richards and others for the enact-
 ment of a law enabling women to vote in all town and
 municipal elections ;
 To the committee on Woman Suffrage.

Bills Enacted and Resolves Passed.

The following engrossed bills (the first three of which originated in the Senate), passed to be enacted, to wit :—

To incorporate the Berkshire Heights Land Company. Bills enacted and to Govern
 To authorize the "Society of Oblate Fathers for Mis-
 sions among the Poor" to hold real and personal estate
 anywhere in the Commonwealth.

Relating to primary declarations in naturalization cases.

To authorize the Massachusetts Baptist Convention to hold additional real and personal estate.

To confirm and make valid the organization and proceedings of the South Groton Christian Union of Ayer, and to change the name of said organization.

To authorize the Williston Seminary to hold additional real and personal estate.

To change the name of the Blair Tourograph and Dry Plate Company.

Authorizing the Boston Tow Boat Company to increase its capital stock.

To authorize the town of South Abington to change its name.

Resolves
passed, etc.

The following engrossed resolves (both of which originated in the House of Representatives), passed, and with the above-named bills were laid before the Governor for his approval, to wit:—

Fixing the compensation of the Commission appointed to consider a general system of drainage for the valleys of the Mystic, Blackstone and Charles rivers.

Providing for the purchase of land and furniture, and for certain repairs, at the State Normal School at Bridgewater.

Prisons.

The order laid over from yesterday that the Prison Commissioners be requested to inform the Legislature as to the number of prisoners in the several prisons of the Commonwealth, the number employed at remunerative labor in each prison, the prices at which they are employed, the industries at which they are engaged, and the system under which they are employed. Also, if under the contract system, tobacco is furnished them by the contractor. Also the cost and earnings for each prison for the last fiscal year. And if the prisoners are paid for overwork, and how much, was adopted.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Bennington
Monument.

An engrossed bill making an appropriation to aid in the erection of a monument in commemoration of the battle of Bennington was returned by the Governor to the Senate, at its request, and the votes by which said bill passed to

be enacted and engrossed were severally reconsidered under a suspension of the rules, and the subject then referred to the committee on Expenditures.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

The bill to incorporate the Union Congregational Church in Plainville, in the town of Wrentham, was further considered. The point of order raised by Mr. Phillips, viz., that the bill was in violation of Senate Rule No. 17 was decided by the President to be not well taken, for the reasons stated in ruling of last year, on page 588 of printed journal, and the question being taken on ordering the bill to a third reading, it was determined as follows, to wit:—

YEAS. — Messrs. Alger,	Boynton,	Douglas,
Emerson,	Forbes,	Gleason,
Gould,	Gove,	Gunn,
Harlow,	Hayes,	Howard,
Jefferson,	Jefts,	Jones, F. W.,
Joslin,	Locke,	McGahey,
Milliken,	Morrill,	Morse,
Naphen,	Nourse,	Reed,
Scott,	Walker,	Wilbur. — 27.

NAYS. — Messrs. Cogswell,	Dunbar.	Howland,
Lilley,	Norris,	Phillips. — 6.

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Bigelow,	Jones, E. D. G.,	Joyner,
Kendricken,	Murphy,	Tappan. — 6.

So the bill was ordered to a third reading.

The bills

To provide for the future maintenance of the bridge over Sengekontacket Opening, between the towns of Edgartown and Cottage City; and

To change the name of the Boylston Mutual Insurance Company, were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The bill to incorporate the town of Hopedale was ordered to be placed first in the Orders of the Day for Wednesday, March 10.

Biennial
Elections.

The resolve to amend the Constitution so as to provide for biennial elections was read a third time, and the question being stated on agreeing to the same, it was taken by yeas and nays, as required by the Constitution, as follows, to wit : —

YEAS. — Messrs. Bigelow,	Boynton,	Dunbar,
Emerson,	Forbes,	Gleason,
Gould,	Gove,	Gunn,
Harlow,	Howland,	Jefts,
Joslin,	Milliken,	Morrill,
Morse,	Norris,	Nourse,
Phillips,	Scott,	Tappan,
Walker,	Wilbur. — 23.	

NAYS. — Messrs. Alger,	Cogswell,	Douglas,
Hayes,	Howard,	Jones, E. D. G.,
Jones, F. W.,	Lilley,	Locke,
McGahey,	Naphen,	Reed. — 12.

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Joyner, Kendricken. — 2.

PAIRED. — Mr. Jefferson (yea) with Mr. Murphy (nay). — 2.

So the resolve was agreed to, a majority of the Senators present and voting thereon having voted in the affirmative.

The resolve and article of amendment are as follows : —

Resolved, That the following article of amendment, having been agreed to by a majority of the Senators and two-thirds of the members of the House of Representatives present and voting thereon, and having been entered on the journals of both houses, with the yeas and nays taken thereon, in the year last past, and referred to the present General Court, and published according to law, and being agreed to by a majority of the Senators and two-thirds of the members of the House of Representatives present and voting thereon, shall be submitted to the people for their ratification and adoption.

ARTICLE OF AMENDMENT.

Senators and representatives shall hold their respective offices for terms of two years, beginning with the first Wednesday in the January succeeding their election, and continuing until the day appointed for the assembling of the next succeeding general court.

The governor, lieutenant-governor, and councillors shall hold their respective offices for two years next following the first Wednesday in the January succeeding their election, and until others are chosen and qualified in their stead.

The secretary, treasurer, and receiver-general, auditor, and attorney-general shall hold their respective offices for two years, beginning with the third Wednesday in the January succeeding their election, and until others are chosen and qualified in their stead.

A person shall be eligible as treasurer and receiver-general for three successive terms, and no more.

The first election to which this article shall apply shall be that held on the Tuesday next after the first Monday in November, in the year eighteen hundred and eighty-six, and thereafter, elections for the choice of all the officers before mentioned shall be held biennially on the Tuesday next after the first Monday in November.

All the provisions of the existing constitution, inconsistent with the provisions herein contained, are hereby annulled.

Sent down for concurrence.

The Senate bill to authorize the Massachusetts Baptist Charitable Society to hold additional real and personal estate, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Mass. Baptist
Charitable
Society.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The Senate bill to amend chapter 66 of the Acts of the year 1859 to incorporate the Massachusetts Universalist Convention, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed as taken into a new draft, reported by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, viz., Bill to authorize the Massachusetts Universalist Convention to hold additional real and personal estate.

Mass. Universalist
Convention.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The report of the committee on the Liquor Law, on the petition of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union of Massachusetts for an amendment to the Constitution prohibiting the manufacture and sale of intoxicating liquors as a beverage, was considered.

Intoxicating
Liquors.

Mr. Jefts moved to substitute a resolve providing for an amendment to the Constitution forbidding the manufacture

and sale of intoxicating liquors as a beverage, as recommended by a minority of the committee, and the question on that motion was taken by yeas and nays as follows, to wit : —

YEAS. — Messrs. Bigelow,			Boynton,	Forbes,
Gleason,			Gould,	Gunn,
Jefts,			Joslin,	Morse,
Scott,			Tappan. — 11.	
NAYS. — Messrs. Alger,			Cogswell,	Douglas,
Dunbar,			Gove,	Hayes,
Howard,			Jefferson,	Jones, E. D. G.,
Jones, F. W.,			Lilley,	Locke,
McGahey,			Milliken,	Morrill,
Naphen,			Nourse,	Reed,
Walker,			Wilbur. — 20.	

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Emerson,	Harlow,	Howland,
Joyner,	Kendricken,	Murphy,
Norris,	Phillips. — 8.	

So the substitute was rejected and the report was accepted.
Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Militia.

The Senate report of the committee on Military Affairs, on the order relative to amending section 164, chapter 14 of the Public Statutes, relating to the militia, with reference to the construction of the words "soldier" and "company," by inserting between the words "include" and "battery," in the third and fourth lines of said section, the words "the signal corps, ambulance corps and," so that as amended the word "company" shall include the signal corps and battery, was accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The House reports

Reports.

Of the committee on Banks and Banking, on an order relative to requiring treasurers of savings banks to make returns to the commissioners of savings banks the names of certain depositors ;

Of the committee on Banks and Banking, on the petition of Wales B. Thayer for the better regulation of savings banks ; and

Of the committee on Military Affairs, on the petition of William D. Taber for military aid, were severally accepted in concurrence.

Adjourned.

FRIDAY, March 5, 1886.

Met according to adjournment.

Mr. Reed, from the committee on Cities, on the petition of the city of Fitchburg, reported

A bill to establish the Board of Trustees of Public Burial Grounds of the city of Fitchburg, and the same was read and ordered to a second reading.

On motion of Mr. Lilley, the motion to reconsider the vote by which the bill to limit the amount which savings banks and institutions for savings may deposit in any one national bank or trust company passed to be engrossed, was taken from the table and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow.

Papers from the House.

The following papers were severally referred in concurrence:—

A petition of L. Woodward and others for the establishment of an Arbor Day;

To the committee on Agriculture.

A petition of A. A. Putnam and others for legislation to prevent the pollution of the Blackstone River by the sewage of the city of Worcester;

To the committee on Drainage.

Remonstrances of

Bradford R. Park and others ;
William A. Hoey and others ;
George F. Sheldon and others ;
C. A. McDonald and others ;
J. E. Tilton and others ;
John L. Esau and others ;
Michael H. Fahy and others ;
Charles W. Taggard and others ;
John H. Murdock and others ;
John H. Carroll and others ;
D A. Mahoney and others ;
John F. Murphy and others ;
James W. Smith and others ;

Biennial
Elections.

David S. Foster and others ; and

James W. Moffatt and others, against the adoption of an amendment to the Constitution for either biennial elections or biennial sessions of the Legislature ;

Severally to the committee on Election Laws.

Postage.

The Senate resolutions relative to the proposed increase of postage on fourth-class mail matter ;

To the committee on Federal Relations.

Bluefish.

A petition of Nelson H. Lovell and 181 others of Barnstable for the passage of a law prohibiting the taking of bluefish by seines and nets in certain waters ;

To the committee on Fisheries and Game.

Shawsheen River.

A remonstrance of Felix G. Haynes and others of Andover against the taking of the water of the Shawsheen River by the city of Boston ;

To the committee on Water Supply.

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

The bills

Bills.

To enable the quartermaster-general to require annual returns of loaned military property and for other purposes ;

To establish the polls and estates of the several cities and towns in the Commonwealth ;

To establish the number of medical examiners and the districts of the same in the county of Plymouth ;

To provide for the redemption of lands set off on execution ; and

To authorize police courts to order the defendant in civil cases to file an answer, were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Rape.

The House bill concerning the punishment for rape, was read a second time and laid on the table.

Wrentham.

The House bill to incorporate the Union Congregational Church in Plainville in the town of Wrentham, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

The House bills

Edgartown and Cottage City.

To provide for the future maintenance of the bridge over Sengekontacket Opening, between the towns of Edgartown and Cottage City (in a new draft of the Senate bill in relation to the subject) ; and

To change the name of the Boylston Mutual Insurance Company, were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

The Senate report of the committee on Banks and Savings Banks. Banking, on the order relative to requiring savings banks to prepare a system of accounts and to keep a record of deposits and of certain facts pertaining to depositors, so that a comprehensive knowledge may be obtained of the amount and sums deposited by the wage-workers of the State, was accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

Adjourned.

MONDAY, March 8, 1886.

Met according to adjournment.

Mr. Gould, from the committee on Military Affairs, on Militia. the order relative to providing that the commissions of all general and field officers, with their respective staffs, now serving in the militia, with the exception of the staff of the commander-in-chief, and the commissions of all line officers now in force, shall continue not longer than five years from the date of the passage of any act which may be passed, and that hereafter all officers of the militia shall be commissioned for the term of five years only, but that every officer shall be eligible to a re-election, and if so re-elected, shall take rank according to the date of his first commission of the same grade, reported that it is inexpedient to legislate thereon, and the report was read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow.

Mr. Cogswell presented a petition of Daniel B. Lord Telephone Rates. and others for the regulation of telephone rates;

Referred to the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

On motion of Mr. Howard, —

Ordered, Under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule, Females and Minors. that the committee on Labor consider the expediency of diminishing the hours of labor for, and of regulating the service of, females and minors in manufacturing, mechanical and mercantile establishments.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

*Papers from the House.***Reports****Reports.**

Of the committee on Election Laws, on the petition of Jabez Fisher, that convicted criminals shall be debarred from the privilege of voting or holding public office ; and

Of the committee on Military Affairs, on the petition of Eliza A. Lary for State aid ; and

On the petition of Fred B. Kellogg for a State allowance ; and

On the petition of N. J. Downing and others for compensation for military services rendered in the year 1861 ; and

Of the committee on Street Railways, on the petition of John A. Enos and others of Nahant and Lynn for authority to build and maintain an electric elevated railway between said towns, severally that the petitioners have leave to withdraw ; and

Reports

Of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, that it is inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to establishing a law to regulate the size of baskets and boxes in which berries are sold ;

Of the committee on Cities, on an order relative to providing that assistant assessors in cities may be appointed by the assessors and approved by the board of aldermen ;

Of the committee on Education, on an order relative to amending or repealing chapter 103 of the Acts of the year 1884, providing for the furnishing free text-books and school supplies to the pupils of the public schools ; and

Of the committee on Railroads, on an order relative to a codification of the general railroad laws, and to the indexing of certain charters and special laws relating to railroad corporations from the year 1873 to the year 1886, were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow.

Referred to Committees.

The following papers were severally referred in concurrence :—

Arbor Day.

A petition of Lucius P. Bent and others for the establishment of an Arbor Day ;

To the committee on Agriculture.

Cambridge.

A petition of the mayor of Cambridge for an amendment of the charter of said city, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule ;

To the committee on Cities.

Petitions of

H. S. Mitchell and others ; and of

School Com-
mittee.

H. C. Collar and others, for such legislation as will provide for the election of school committees upon separate ballots ;

Severally to the committee on Education.

Remonstrances of

Rufus H. Willis and others ;

Thomas J. Casey and others ;

Biennial
Elections and
Sessions.

Albert Davis and others ; and

Lewis Eddy and others, against the adoption of an amendment to the Constitution for either biennial elections or biennial sessions of the Legislature ;

Severally to the committee on Election Laws.

A petition of Marcus M. Raymond and 142 others for milk legislation relative to the inspection and sale of milk ;

To the committee on Public Health.

A remonstrance of Goodrich & Porter and others against the building of a footway over the Boston and Maine Railroad Company's bridge at Haverhill ;

Haverhill.

To the committee on Roads and Bridges.

Reports of the committee on Public Service, on the orders to consider the expediency of amending section 32 of chapter 27 of the Public Statutes so that persons arrested on a warrant may be committed to a lock-up by the arresting officer ; also the expediency of amending section 34 of said chapter so that the lock-up fees shall be paid to the lock-up keeper for the use of the town, and of amending section 24 of chapter 154 of the Public Statutes so that the expenses of the district and police courts shall be audited and allowed by the county commissioners and not as costs in criminal cases, recommending that the committee be discharged from the further consideration of said orders, and that the same be referred to the House committee on the Judiciary, came up, and the Senate concurred in so much thereof as discharges the committee, and the reports were severally returned to the House of Representatives.

Lock-up Fees.

A report of the committee on Education asking to be discharged from the further consideration of the order to

Public Schools.

consider the expediency of such legislation as will authorize the school committee of the various cities and towns in the Commonwealth to admit pupils to the public schools who have not been vaccinated, if the board of health shall so consent in writing, and recommending that the same be referred to the committee on Public Health, was accepted in concurrence.

Bills Enacted and Resolves Passed.

**Bills enacted
and to
Governor.**

The following engrossed bills (all of which originated in the Senate) passed to be enacted, to wit:—

In relation to the compensation of referees for duties performed under the direction of the Supreme Judicial Court and Superior Court.

To incorporate the Algonquin Club of Boston.

To regulate the printing and distributing of ballots on the question of granting licenses for the sale of intoxicating liquors.

**Resolves
passed, etc.**

An engrossed resolve in favor of the trustees of the Soldiers' Home in Massachusetts (which originated in the House) passed and with the above-named bills was laid before the Governor for his approval.

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

Savings Banks.

The motion to reconsider the vote by which the bill to limit the amount which savings banks and institutions for savings may deposit in any one national bank or trust company passed to be engrossed, was carried in the affirmative, the bill was then amended, on motion of Mr. Boynton, and again passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Fitchburg.

The bill to establish the Board of Trustees of Public Burial Grounds in the city of Fitchburg, was read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Bills.

The bills

To establish the polls and estates of the several cities and towns in the Commonwealth;

To establish the number of medical examiners and the districts of the same in the county of Plymouth;

To provide for the redemption of lands set off on execution; and

To authorize police courts to order the defendant in civil cases to file an answer, were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

TUESDAY, March 9, 1886.

Met according to adjournment.

Mr. Jefts, from the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, on an order in relation to the subject, reported Lyman School for Boys.

A resolve for the completion of certain buildings and for the construction of a chapel at Westborough for the Lyman School for Boys, and the same was read and referred to the committee on the Treasury.

Mr. Lilley, from the committee on the Judiciary, on the resolve in favor of Patrick Corr; and Patrick Corr.

Mr. Howland, from the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, on the bill to amend an Act to incorporate the Temporary Asylum for Discharged Female Prisoners, Discharged Female Prisoners. severally reported that this resolve and bill ought to pass, and they were ordered to a second reading.

Mr. Hayes, from the committee on Banks and Banking, on the petition of Cyrus Story and others for the establishment of another savings bank in Gloucester, reported Cyrus Story et al. that the same be referred to the next General Court.

Mr. Wilbur, from the committee on Cities, on the order concerning the repeal of the law establishing aldermanic districts in the city of Boston; also, another order in relation to the subject, and an order relating to the amendment of said law, reported that it is inexpedient to legislate thereon, and these reports were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow. Boston.

Petitions were presented and referred as follows:—

By Mr. Lilley, a petition of George A. Marden and others, that the American Bell Telephone Company be prohibited from holding more than thirty per cent. of the stock of any sub-company in which it does not now own more than that proportion; American Bell Telephone Co.

To the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

Leyden.

By Mr. Gunn, petitions of Henry O. Root and others, and Lyman G. Barton and others, in aid of that of Lucius P. Chapin and others for the annexation of a portion of the town of Leyden to the town of Bernardston ;

Severally to the committee on Towns.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Papers from the House.

Bakers.

A bill authorizing bakers to make sales during certain hours of the Lord's Day, was read and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Bills

Cities.

In relation to notices of changes in wards and voting precincts in cities (on an order in relation to the subject) ;

Towns.

Relating to the authority of towns to grant and vote money for certain memorial purposes (on an order in relation to the subject) ;

Savings Banks.

To extend the time within which savings banks and institutions for savings may sell certain real estate now held by them (on an order in relation to the subject) ;

Massachusetts
New Church
Union.

To amend the charter of the Massachusetts New Church Union (on the petition of Francis A. Dewson, president of the Massachusetts New Church Union) ;

Manufacturing
establishments.

To amend section 4 of chapter 74 of the Public Statutes relative to the printed notice required in manufacturing establishments (on an order in relation to the subject) ;

Chelsea.

To authorize the city of Chelsea to lay out and maintain a public park (on the petition of the mayor of said city) ;

Railroads.

For the protection of the lives and limbs of employees on railroads (on an order in relation to the subject) ;

New England
Aid Society.

To change the name of the New England Aid Society for the Aged and Friendless (on the petition of E. A. Carleton and others) ; and

Hingham Water
Company.

To enable the Hingham Water Company to increase its water supply (on the petition of the same), were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Reports

I. N. Lewis et
als.

Of the committee on Fisheries and Game granting leave to withdraw, on the petition of I. N. Lewis and others for for legislation to prohibit the setting of pounds, traps or nets in the waters adjoining the north shores of Buzzards Bay until after the tenth day of May in each year ; and

George G.
Parker.

Of the committee on Military Affairs, on the petition of

Geo. G. Parker for an amendment of the laws relating to State aid ; and

Of the committee on Banks and Banking, that it is inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to investments by savings banks ; and Savings Banks.

On an order relative to allowing a wider field for investment for savings banks and institutions for savings, were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow,

The following papers were severally referred, in concurrence :—

Remonstrances of

William E. Livingston and others : and of

Fred E. Campbell and others, against the adoption of an amendment to the Constitution for either biennial elections or biennial sessions of the Legislature ; Biennial Elections and Sessions.

Severally to the committee on Election Laws.

A petition of Frank Graves and others of Needham, that the hours of employment for females and children in manufacturing, mechanical and mercantile establishments be limited to fifty-six and one-half hours in each week ; Hours of Labor.

To the committee on Labor.

A petition of N. Sagendorf and others of Brookfield, that telephone rates may be limited by law ; Telephone Rates.

To the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

Remonstrances of

The selectmen of Billerica and others ;

Samuel Sewell and others ; and Shawsheen River.

The selectmen of Andover and others, against the taking of the water of Shawsheen River by the city of Boston ;

Severally to the committee on Water Supply.

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

The Senate bill to enable the quartermaster-general to require annual returns of loaned military property and for other purposes, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed (in a new draft reported by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading) entitled Military property.

A bill to enable the quartermaster-general to require annual returns of loaned military property and to adjust all accounts relating to the same.

Sent down for concurrence.

Fitchburg.

The Senate bill to establish the Board of Trustees of Public Burial Grounds of the city of Fitchburg, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Militia.

The Senate report of the committee on Military Affairs, on the order relative to providing that the commissions of all general and field officers with their respective staffs (with the exception of the staff of the commander-in-chief), now serving in the militia, and the commissions of all line officers now in force, shall continue not longer than five years from the date of the passage of any act which may be passed, and that hereafter all officers of the militia shall be commissioned for the term of five years only, but that every officer shall be eligible to a re-election, and if so re-elected, shall take rank according to the date of his first commission of the same grade, was accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

General rail
road laws.

The report of the committee on Railroads, on an order relative to a codification of the general railroad laws, and to the indexing of certain charters and special laws relating to railroad corporations from the year 1873 to the year 1886, was passed over.

Reports.

The House reports

Of the committee on Election Laws, on the petition of Jabez Fisher, that convicted criminals shall be debarred from the privilege of voting or holding public office ;

Of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, on an order relative to establishing a law to regulate the size of baskets and boxes in which berries are sold ;

Of the committee on Military Affairs, on the petition of Eliza A. Lary for State aid ;

Of the committee on Military Affairs, on the petition of Fred B. Kellogg for a State allowance ;

Of the committee on Military Affairs, on the petition of N. J. Downing and others for compensation for military services rendered in 1861 ;

Of the committee on Cities, on an order relative to providing that assistant assessors in cities may be appointed by the assessors and approved by the board of aldermen ;

Of the committee on Education, on an order relative to

amending or repealing chapter 103 of the Acts of the year 1884 providing for the furnishing free text-books and school supplies to the pupils of the public schools ; and

Of the committee on Street Railways, on the petition of John A. Enos and others of Nahant and Lynn, for authority to build and maintain an electric elevated railway between said towns, were severally accepted in concurrence.

The bill concerning the punishment for rape was taken from the table and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow.

Adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, March 10, 1886.

Met according to adjournment.

Mr. Boynton, from the committee on Banks and Banking, Savings Banks. on an order in relation to the subject, reported

A bill to establish the salaries of the commissioners of savings banks and of the first and second clerks of said commissioners ; and

Mr. Howland from the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, reported

A resolve in favor of the State Workhouse at Bridge- State Workhouse. water, and this bill and resolve were severally read and referred to the committee on the Treasury.

Mr. Milliken, from the committee on Street Railways, Cambridge. on the petition of the mayor of Cambridge, reported

A bill to provide for licensing conductors, drivers and despatchers of street railway cars in the city of Cambridge, and the same was read and ordered to a second reading.

Mr. Walker, from the committee on the Treasury, on State Aid. the Senate bill to amend section 18 of chapter 30 of the Public Statutes in relation to the appointment of persons to investigate claims for reimbursement of State aid under said chapter, reported that the same ought to pass, and it was ordered to a second reading.

Mr. Cogswell, from the committee on the Judiciary, on the

House bills

Authorizing bakers to make sales during certain hours Bakers. of the Lord's Day ; and

Stoneham.

To authorize the town of Stoneham to refund certain taxes, reported that these bills severally ought to pass, and they were ordered to a second reading.

New England
Conservatory of
Music.

Mr. Jefts presented a petition of L. T. Jefts and others for the amendment of section 4 of the Acts of the year 1885, authorizing the surrender to the corporation and the cancellation of the stock heretofore issued by the New England Conservatory of Music, and the same was referred (under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule) to the committee on Education.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Orders Adopted.

On motion of Mr. Cogswell,—

Committee on
Claims.

Ordered, That the committee on Claims be authorized to employ the services of a stenographer.

On motion of Mr. Joyner,—

Ordered, That the attorney-general is hereby authorized and requested to appear and represent the Commonwealth at all hearings by the committee on Claims on the petitions of Cyrus W. Field and others, and Brewster, Cobb and others, for reimbursement for alleged losses of said petitioners on account of the sales by the Commonwealth of certain bonds of the New York and New England Railroad Company.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Papers from the House.

Bills

Lynn.

Authorizing a new division of the wards of the city of Lynn (on the petition of the mayor of said city);

Roslindale.

To confirm the proceedings and title to lands of the trustees of the Roslindale Methodist Episcopal Church (on the petition of said trustees);

Knitted Carpet
Lining Com-
pany.

To change the name of the Knitted Carpet Lining Company (on the petition of said company); and

Huntington.

To take away right of action against the county of Hampshire for damages on Norwich Bridge and Pitcher's Bridge in the town of Huntington (on the petition of the

commissioners of Hampshire County), were severally read Hampshire County. and ordered to a second reading.

Reports, that it is inexpedient to legislate,

Of the committee on Banks and Banking, on an order Reports. relative to reducing the amount that an individual can deposit in any saving banks and draw interest therefor ;

Of the committee on Labor, on an order relative to requiring a clutch or friction coupling on the pulleys in factories ;

Of the committee on Liquor Law, on an order relative to preventing the granting of licenses for the sale of liquor in underground premises ;

Of the committee on Printing, on an order relative to the distribution to clerks of cities and towns of copies of acts and resolves immediately after their passage ;

Of the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, on an order relative to legislation concerning the pauper laws, and simplifying the conditions of the settlement of paupers. in this Commonwealth ; and

Reports, granting leave to withdraw,

Of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, on the petition of Frank S. Billings and others, veterinary surgeons, that they may be granted a special charter ; and

Of the committee on Printing, on the petition of S. S. Green and others, librarians of city libraries, for legislation relative to the distribution of legislative and other documents, were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow.

A resolve in favor of Philomena E. Nolan (on the petition of the same), was read and referred to the committee Philomena E. Nolan. on the Treasury.

The following papers were severally referred in concurrence (under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule) :—

A petition of Hollis Hastings and others to be incorporated as the Home for Aged Men and Women in Framingham ; Hollis Hastings et als.

To the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

A petition of John L. Smith and others of North Andover, that the town be granted authority to supply the inhabitants with pure water from any source within the limits of the town ; John L. Smith et als.

To the committee on Water Supply.

The following order was referred to the next General Court, under the 12th Joint Rule:—

Canals.

Ordered, That the committee on Roads and Bridges consider the expediency of legislation in regard to the fencing of canals.

Bill Enacted and Resolves Passed.

Bill enacted and to Governor.

An engrossed bill (which originated in the Senate) passed to be enacted, to wit:—

To supply the town of Ware with water.

Resolves passed, etc.

The following engrossed resolves (both of which originated in the House) passed, and with the above-named bill, were laid before the Governor for his approval, to wit:—

In favor of Malvina S. Simpson.

In favor of the Overseers of the Poor of Chatham.

Bills.

The Orders of the Day were taken up, and the Bills

To amend an Act to incorporate the Temporary Asylum for Discharged Female Prisoners;

In relation to notices of changes in wards and voting precincts in cities;

Relating to the authority of towns to grant and vote money for certain memorial purposes;

To extend the time within which savings banks and institutions for savings may sell certain real estate now held by them;

To amend the charter of the Massachusetts New Church Union;

To authorize the city of Chelsea to lay out and maintain a public park;

To change the name of the New England Aid Society for the Aged and Friendless; and

Patrick Corr.

The resolve in favor of Patrick Corr, were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

General railroad laws.

The House report of the committee on Railroads, on an order relative to a codification of the general railroad laws, and to the indexing of certain charters and special laws relating to railroad corporations from the year 1873 to the year 1886, was accepted in concurrence.

Cyrus Story et al.

The Senate report of the committee on Banks and Banking, on the petition of Cyrus Story and others for the

establishment of another savings bank in Gloucester, was accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The Senate report of the committee on Cities, on the order concerning the repealing of the law establishing aldermanic districts in the city of Boston; also, another order in relation to the subject, and an order relating to the amendment of said law, was accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The House reports

Of the committee on Banks and Banking, on an order relative to allowing a wider field for investment for savings banks and institutions for savings; and

Of the committee on Military Affairs, on the petition of Geo. G. Parker for an amendment of the laws relating to State aid, were severally accepted in concurrence.

The bill to incorporate the town of Hopedale, was considered, but without any action thereon, the Senate

Adjourned.

THURSDAY, March 11, 1886.

Met according to adjournment.

Mr. Walker, from the committee on Expenditures, to whom was referred the engrossed bill making an appropriation to aid in the erection of a monument in commemoration of the Battle of Bennington, reported

A resolve in aid of the erection of a monument in commemoration of the Battle of Bennington, and the same was read and ordered to a second reading.

Mr. Howard, from the committee on Labor, to whom was referred the bill relative to the payment of operatives by manufacturing corporations at intervals not exceeding fourteen days (from the files of last year), reported that the same ought *not* to pass, and the bill was placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow on the question of rejection.

Commissioners
of Savings
Banks.

Mr. Hayes, from the committee on Banks and Banking, on so much of the Governor's Address as relates to the subject, reported

A bill to provide extra clerical assistance for the Commissioners of Savings Banks, and the same was read and referred to the committee on the Treasury.

Certificates of
Corporations.

Mr. Boynton, from the committee on Mercantile Affairs, on the abstract of the certificates of corporations, reported that no legislation is necessary thereon, and the report was read and placed in the Orders of the Day for tomorrow.

Order Adopted.

On motion of Mr. Norris,—

Shipwrecked
seamen.

Ordered (under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule), That the committee on Public Charitable Institutions consider the expediency of so amending chapter 84 of the Public Statutes as that shipwrecked seamen may be sent to their several destinations at the public expense when necessary.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Papers from the House.

Bills

City Mission-
ary Society.

To authorize the City Missionary Society to provide temporal relief for the poor, and to enable the same to hold additional real and personal estate (on the petition of the same);

Boston Marine
Insurance Com-
pany.

Authorizing the Boston Marine Insurance Company to extend its business (on the petition of the same);

P. E. and R. E.
churches.

In relation to the Protestant Episcopal and Reformed Episcopal Churches (on the petition of Charles Hall Adams);

Election Days.

Relating to the opening of polls on election days (on an order in relation to the subject); and

Savings Banks.

Relating to the bonds of treasurers of savings banks and institutions for savings (in a new draft of the Senate bill of the same title), were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Papers from the House.

Referred to committee:—

Theodore E.
Davis.

Resolve in favor of Theodore E. Davis (on petition of the same), was read and referred to the committee on the Treasury.

The following papers were severally referred in concurrence : —

Remonstrances of

William J. Leonard and others ; and

D. M. Houston and others, severally against the adoption of an amendment to the Constitution for either biennial elections or biennial sessions of the Legislature ;

Biennial elections and sessions.

To the committee on Election Laws.

Petitions of

H. W. Southworth and others ;

Telephone rates.

P. H. Carpenter and others ; and

J. A. Joslin and others, severally that telephone rates may be limited by law ;

To the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

A report of the committee on the Liquor Law, on the order to consider the expediency of repealing chapter 359 of the Acts of the year 1885, concerning the disposition of cases for violation of laws relating to the sale of intoxicating liquors, recommending that the committee be discharged from the further consideration of said order, and that it be referred to the House committee on the Judiciary, came up, and the Senate concurred in so much thereof as discharged the committee, and the report was returned to the House of Representatives.

Bills Enacted and Resolves Passed.

The following engrossed bills (all of which originated in the House) passed to be enacted, to wit : —

Bills enacted and to Governor.

To incorporate the Union Congregational Church in Plainville in the town of Wrentham.

To incorporate the Montgomery Light Guard Veteran Association.

To change the name of the Boylston Mutual Insurance Company.

In relation to the returns of assessors.

To incorporate the Shawme Savings Bank in Sandwich.

To incorporate the Concord Creamery Company.

Respecting the form of complaints in certain criminal prosecutions.

The following engrossed resolves (both of which originated in the House) passed and with the above-named bills were laid before the Governor for his approval : —

Resolves passed, etc.

In favor of Charles and Nancy McLaughlin.

In favor of the Massachusetts Charitable Eye and Ear Infirmary.

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

Hopedale.

The bill to incorporate the town of Hopedale was further considered, and the question on ordering the same to a third reading was taken by yeas and nays, as follows, to wit:—

YEAS.—Messrs. Gleason, Harlow, Jefferson, Joyner, Morrill, Nourse,	Gould, Hayes, Jefts, Locke, Morse, Phillips,	Gunn, Howland, Jones, E. D. G., Milliken, Norris, Reed.—18.
NAYS.—Messrs. Alger, Cogswell, Forbes, Lilley, Scott, Wilbur.—16.	Bigelow, Douglas, Howard, McGahey, Tappan,	Boynton, Emerson, Jones, F. W., Naphen, Walker,

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Dunbar, Gove, Kendricken.—2.

PAIRED.—Mr. Joslin (yea) with Mr. Murphy (nay).—2.

And the bill was accordingly ordered to a third reading.

The bills

Bills.

Concerning the punishment for rape ;

To amend section 4 of chapter 74 of the Public Statutes relative to the printed notice required in manufacturing establishments ;

For the protection of the lives and limbs of employees on railroads ;

To enable the Hingham Water Company to increase its water supply ;

To provide for licensing conductors, drivers and dispatchers of street railway cars in the city of Cambridge ;

To amend section 18 of chapter 30 of the Public Statutes in relation to the appointment of persons to investigate claims for reimbursement of State aid under said chapter ;

Authorizing bakers to make sales during certain hours of the Lord's Day ;

Authorizing the town of Stoneham to refund certain taxes;

Authorizing a new division of the wards in the city of Lynn;

To confirm the proceedings and title to lands of the trustees of the Roslindale Methodist Episcopal Church;

To change the name of the Knitted Carpet Lining Company; and

To take away right of action against the county of Hampshire for damages on Norwich Bridge and Pitcher's Bridge in the town of Huntington, were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The House report of the committee on Fisheries and Game, on the petition of I. N. Lewis and others for legislation to prohibit the setting of pounds, traps or nets in the waters adjoining the north shores of Buzzard's Bay until after the tenth day of May in each year, was laid on the table. I. N. Lewis et al.

The House report of the committee on Banks and Banking, on an order relative to investments by savings banks, was accepted in concurrence. Savings Banks.

Subsequently, Mr. Hayes moved a reconsideration of the vote by which said report was accepted, and gave notice that if the vote was reconsidered, he should move to substitute a bill, and the motion was placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow.

The Senate resolve in favor of Patrick Corr, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed. Patrick Corr.

Sent down for concurrence.

The Senate bill to amend an Act to incorporate the Temporary Asylum for Discharged Female Prisoners, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed, as taken into a new draft reported by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, viz., Bill to amend the charter of the Temporary Asylum of Discharged Female Prisoners. Discharged female prisoners

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The House bills

In relation to notices of changes in wards and voting precincts in cities; Bills.

Relating to the authority of towns to grant and vote money for certain memorial purposes;

To extend the time within which savings banks and institutions for savings may sell certain real estate now held by them ;

To amend the charter of the Massachusetts New Church Union ;

To authorize the city of Chelsea to lay out and maintain a public park : and

To change the name of the New England Aid Society for the Aged and Friendless, were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

The House reports

Reports.

Of the committee on Banks and Banking, on an order relative to reducing the amount that an individual can deposit in any savings bank and draw interest therefor ;

Of the committee on Labor, on an order relative to requiring a clutch or friction coupling on the pulleys in factories ;

Of the committee on Liquor Law, on an order relative to preventing the granting of licenses for the sale of liquor in underground premises ;

Of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, on the petition of Frank S. Billings and others, veterinary surgeons, that that they may be granted a special charter ;

Of the committee on Printing, on an order relative to the distribution to clerks of cities and towns of copies of acts and resolves immediately after their passage ;

Of the committee on Printing, on the petition of S. S. Green and others, librarians of city libraries, for legislation relative to the distribution of legislative and other documents ; and

Of the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, on an order relative to legislation concerning the pauper laws, and simplifying the conditions of the settlement of paupers in this Commonwealth, were severally accepted in concurrence.

Adjourned.

FRIDAY, March 12, 1886.

Met according to adjournment.

Storage Warehousemen.

Mr. Lilley, from the committee on the Judiciary, on the bill to empower storage warehousemen to sell property for non-payment of storage and other charges, reported

that the same ought not to pass, and the bill was placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow on the question of rejection.

The following order, offered by Mr. Cogswell, was laid over, on the objection of Mr. Joyner :—

Whereas, the petitioners in the case of the petitions of Cyrus W. Field and others, and Messrs. Brewster, Cobb & Estabrook, have stated their case before the committee on Claims ; and Cyrus W. Field
et alia.

Whereas, it does not appear that said petitioners, if they have any claim, may not pursue the same in the Court of Claims and thus relieve this Legislature of a long and tedious hearing ; therefore be it

Ordered, That the committee on Claims be and hereby is discharged from the further consideration of said petitions, and that the said petitioners have *leave to withdraw*.

Petitions were presented and referred as follows :—

By Mr. Joyner, a petition of Levi J. Richardson for the payment by the Commonwealth of certain money as a military bounty ; Levi J. Richard
son.

To the committee on Claims, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule.

By Mr. Jefts, a petition of the water commissioners of the town of Hudson for authority to increase the water loan of said town ; Hudson, town
of.

To the committee on Water Supply, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Papers from the House.

A bill to authorize and confirm a lease of the Worcester, Nashua and Rochester Railroad Company by the Boston and Maine Railroad, on the petition of the first named company (in part), was read and ordered to a second reading. Worcester,
Rochester &
Nashua Rail-
road Company.

Reports, granting leave to withdraw,

Of the committee on Claims, on the petition of J. F. Baldwin for compensation for the use of one steam laundry machine at the State Almshouse at Tewksbury ; and J. F. Baldwin.

Ipswich, South
Parish of.

Of the committee on Parishes and Religious Societies, on the petition of members of the South Parish in Ipswich for legislation authorizing and empowering the trustees of a certain Bible fund in said parish to devote the funds in their hands to certain other parish purposes ; and

Reports

Worcester Lu-
natic Hospital.

That no legislation is necessary, of the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, on the 53d annual report of the Trustees of the Worcester Lunatic Hospital ; and

Taunton Lu-
natic Hospital.

On the 32d annual report of the Trustees of the Taunton Lunatic Hospital, were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow.

Petitions were referred in concurrence, as follows : —

Telephone
rates.

Of Frank A. Carroll and others of North Adams ;

Of J. N. Brown and others of Holyoke ; and

Of H. G. Dewey and others of Westfield, that the charges of the American Bell Telephone Company may be limited by law ;

Severally to the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

The Senate non-concurred in the suspension of the 12th Joint Rule to admit the following order : —

Town meetings.

Ordered, That the (House) committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of such legislation as will render valid the proceedings of the town meetings of the several towns held in the current year where tellers were not appointed, or if appointed, were not sworn according to law to aid in checking the names of voters and in assorting and counting the votes, and the order was referred to the next General Court under said rule.

Z. K. Harmon.

Also, in the suspension of the 12th Joint Rule, to admit the House petition of Z. K. Harmon of Brookline for compensation for service rendered the State in the Adjutant-General's department, and for other purposes, and the same were severally referred to the next General Court under said rule.

Bills Enacted and Resolves Passed.

The following engrossed bills (all of which originated in the Senate) passed to be enacted, to wit : —

To amend the act incorporating the Worcester Safe Deposit and Trust Company. Bills enacted and to Governor.

In amendment of chapter fourteen of the Public Statutes, and of chapter forty-five and chapter two hundred and thirty of the Acts of the year eighteen hundred and eighty-four relating to the militia.

Relating to the salary of the mayor of Newburyport.

To provide for the future maintenance of the bridge over Sengekontacket Opening, between the towns of Edgartown and Cottage City.

An engrossed resolve in favor of William L. Chipman (which originated in the Senate) passed, and, with the above-named bills, was laid before the Governor for his approval. Resolve passed, etc.

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

The motion to reconsider the vote by which the Senate accepted the House report of the committee on Banks and Banking, on an order relative to investments by savings banks, was laid on the table. Savings banks.

The bill relative to the payment of operatives by manufacturing corporations at intervals not exceeding fourteen days, was, in accordance with the report of the committee thereon, rejected. Payment of wages.

The resolve in aid of the erection of a monument in commemoration of the Battle of Bennington; and the Bills Battle of Bennington.

To authorize the City Missionary Society to provide temporal relief for the poor, and to enable said society to hold additional real and personal estate; Bills.

Authorizing the Boston Marine Insurance Company to extend its business;

In relation to the Protestant Episcopal and Reformed Episcopal Churches; and

Relating to the bonds of treasurers of savings banks and institutions for savings, were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The House bill relating to the opening of polls on election days having been read a second time, the question on ordering the same to a third reading was determined as follows, to wit: —

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YEAS. — Messrs. Alger, Hayes, Jones, F. W. Locke, Naphen, Scott — 16.	Bigelow, Howard, Joyner, McGahey, Norris,	Douglas, Howland, Lilley, Morse, Phillips,
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NAYS. — Messrs. Boynton, Gould, Jefts, Morrill, Reed, Wilbur. — 16.	Cogswell, Harlow, Joslin, Nourse, Tappan,	Emerson, Jefferson, Milliken, Pillsbury, Walker,
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ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Dunbar, Gove, Kendricken,	Forbes, Gunn, Murphy. — 8.	Gleason, Jones, E. D. G.
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And the bill was refused a third reading.

Hopedale.

The bill to incorporate the town of Hopedale was read a third time, and the question on passing the same to be engrossed was determined as follows : —

YEAS. — Messrs. Gleason, Hayes, Jefts, Morrill, Nourse,	Gould, Howland, Locke, Morse, Reed. — 14.	Harlow, Jefferson, Milliken, Norris,
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NAYS. — Messrs. Bigelow, Douglas, Jones, F. W. Scott,	Boynton, Emerson, Lilley, Wilbur. — 11.	Cogswell, Howard, Naphen,
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ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Dunbar, Joyner, Phillips,	Forbes, Kendricken, Tappan. — 8.	Gove, McGahey,
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PAIRED.

Mr. Joslin (yea) with Mr. Murphy (nay). Mr. Jones, E. D. G. (yea) with Mr. Alger (nay). Mr. Gunn (yea) with Mr. Walker (nay). — 6.

So the bill passed to be engrossed.

Ibid.

Subsequently Mr. Lilley moved to reconsider the above vote, and the motion was placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow, under the rule.

The House bill concerning the punishment for rape was ^{Rape.} read a third time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Subsequently Mr. Morse moved to reconsider the above ^{Ibid.} vote, and the motion was placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow, under the rule.

The Senate bill to amend section 18 of chapter 30 of the ^{State aid.} Public Statutes in relation to the appointment of persons to investigate claims for reimbursement of State aid under said chapter, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The Senate bill to provide for licensing conductors, ^{Cambridge.} drivers and despatchers of street railway cars in the city of Cambridge, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The House bills

To enable the Hingham Water Company to increase its ^{Bills.} water supply ;

Authorizing bakers to make sales during certain hours of the Lord's Day ;

Authorizing a new division of the wards of the city of Lynn ;

To confirm the proceedings and title to lands of the trustees of the Roslindale Methodist Episcopal Church ; and

To change the name of the Knitted Carpet Lining Company, were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

The Senate report of the committee on Mercantile ^{Certificates of} Affairs, on the abstract of the certificates of corporations, ^{corporations.} was accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The House bill to take away right of action against the ^{Huntington.} county of Hampshire for damages on Norwich Bridge and Pitcher's Bridge in the town of Huntington was read a

third time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence, with an amendment in the title, which was sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Adjourned.

MONDAY, March 15, 1886.

Met according to adjournment.

Newton.

Mr. Kendricken, from the committee on Cities, on the petition of the mayor of the city of Newton, reported a bill providing for the registration and licensing of plumbers in the city of Newton, and the same was read and ordered to a second reading.

Theodore E. Davis.

Mr. Morrill, from the committee on the Treasury, on the House resolve in favor of Theodore E. Davis; and

Philomena E. Nolan.

Mr. Walker, from the same committee, on the resolve in favor of Philomena E. Nolan, reported that these resolves ought to pass, and they were severally ordered to a second reading.

Mr. Morrill, from the committee on the Treasury, on the

Senate Bills

Savings banks.

To establish the salaries of the Commissioners of Savings Banks and of the first and second clerks of said commissioners; and

Ibid.

To provide extra clerical assistance for the Commissioners of Savings Banks, reported, asking to be discharged from the further consideration thereof, and recommending that the same be referred to the committee on Public Service, and the report was accepted and the bills sent down for concurrence in the reference to the committee on Public Service.

Came up concurred.

Petitions etc. were presented and referred as follows : —

Charles F. Swift
et alia.

By Mr. Norris, a petition of Charles F. Swift and others of Yarmouth for a revival of the acts to incorporate the Dennis and Yarmouth Improvement Company ;

To the committee on Agriculture, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule.

By Mr. Gould, a petition of Frederick & Field and others ; Telephone charges.

By Mr. Jones of Essex, a petition of Swain, Fuller & Company and others ;

By Mr. Alger, a petition of Sortwell & Company and others, severally that telephone charges may be limited by law, etc. ;

Severally to the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

By Mr. Norris, a remonstrance of the Hurlbut Paper Company and others against the petition of the Housatonic Railroad Company for the repeal of chapter 338 of the acts of the year 1885, concerning freight rates on the railroads in Massachusetts operated by it ; Housatonic Railroad Company.

To the committee on Railroads.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

By Mr. Joyner, a petition of B. F. Underwood and others in aid of that of James S. Bush and others for the amendment of chapter 169 of the Public Statutes, so that evidence of disbelief in a God shall not be received to affect the credibility of a witness ; and James S. Bush et al.

Petitions of Moorfield Story and Edward H. Hall and another in aid of that of Henry W. Holland and others, for an amendment of chapter 98 of the Public Statutes, relating to the observance of the Lord's Day ; Henry W. Holland et al.

Severally to the committee on the Judiciary.

Orders Adopted.

On motion of Mr. Morse, —

Ordered (under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule), Seduction.
That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of amending section 1 of chapter 207 of the Public Statutes, so as to bring within the prohibition and penalty of said section, the act of enticing a female child under the age of sixteen years, away from her home for the purpose of illicit sexual intercourse ; and of amending section 2 of said chapter so as to make any person subject to its penalty who shall seduce a chaste female under the age of sixteen years to a single act of sexual

intercourse ; or for other and further legislation for the protection of female children from seduction.

Sent down for concurrence in the suspension of the 12th Joint Rule.

Came up concurred.

Arsenical wall-
papers.

On motion of Mr. Harlow,—

Ordered, That the committee on Public Health, in the investigation of the matter of the use of arsenical wall papers, be authorized to employ a stenographer and to report in print.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Z. K. Harmon.

On motion of Mr. Gould, the vote by which the Senate non-concurred in the suspension of the 12th Joint Rule to admit the House petition of Z. K. Harmon of Brookline for compensation for service rendered the State in the Adjutant-General's department, and for other purposes, was reconsidered, and the petition was referred, in concurrence, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule, to the committee on Claims.

The Senate reconsidered its vote of Friday, March 12th, referring the following order to the next General Court, and concurred in the suspension of the 12th Joint Rule, to admit the same :—

Town meetings

Ordered, That the (House) committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of such legislation as will render valid the proceedings of the town meetings of the several towns, held in the current year, where tellers were not appointed, or if appointed were not sworn according to law, to aid in checking the names of voters and in assorting and counting the votes, and the order was returned to the House of Representatives.

Papers from the House.

Bills

Cambridge.

Relating to the revision of the ward boundaries, and the apportionment of members of the common council in the city of Cambridge (on the petition of the mayor of said city) ;

Pittsfield.

Relating to sidewalks, crosswalks, common sewers and main drains in the fire district of the town of Pittsfield (on the petition of Charles M. Welden) ;

To authorize the city of Northampton to renew a portion of its water bonds (in a new draft of a bill of the same title); Northampton.

To confirm the proceedings of the Third Congregational Society in Cambridge and to authorize said society to convey to the Trustees of Donations to the Protestant Episcopal Church certain real estate (on the petition of said society); and Cambridge.

A resolve relative to the establishment of an Arbor Day (on the petition of James Draper and sundry others), were severally read and ordered to a second reading. Arbor Day.

A resolve in favor of Geo. H. Cannon, Thomas J. Cannon, Josiah Robinson, Benjamin F. Robinson, John Gillespie, Farnham Gillespie and Francis Jenkins (on the petition of Thomas J. Cannon and others) was read and referred to the committee on the Treasury. Thomas J. Cannon et als.

A bill relating to sessions of the Probate Court for the county of Hampshire was read and referred to the committee on Probate and Insolvency. Hampshire County.

Reports, granting leave to withdraw,

Of the committee on Towns, on the petition of Henry Hastings and others of Medford for a division of said town; Reports.

Of the committee on Public Service, on the petition of the first assistant clerk of the Superior Court of Suffolk County for an increase of salary; and a

Report, that no legislature is necessary,

Of the committee on Banks and Banking, on the Summary of Annual Reports of County Officers; and

Reports, that it is inexpedient to legislate,

Of the committee on Education, on an order relative to requiring certain children to attend school a certain length of time during the year; and

On an order relative to the election of school committee in the city of Boston by districts; and

Of the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, on and order relative to the care of the poor in public institutions or in regard to out-door relief for the poor, were severally read and placed on the Orders of the Day for tomorrow.

The following papers were severally referred in concurrence:—

Women and
children.

A petition of Horace M. Keene and 400 others of New Bedford for such legislation as will limit the hours of employment of women and children in manufacturing, mechanical and mercantile establishments to fifty-six and one-half hours weekly ;

To the committee on Labor.

Telephone
rates.

Petitions of

The Merrimac Paper Company and others of Lawrence ;
E. N. Gates and others of Holyoke ;

C. A. Brooks and others of Clinton ; and

George Roundy and others of Beverly, that telephone rates may be limited by law ;

Severally to the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

Lawrence.

A petition of the Tower Hill Congregational Society of Lawrence for a change of its corporate name to the United Congregational Society ;

To the committee on Parishes and Religious Societies, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Bills Enacted.

The following engrossed bills (the first four of which originated in the Senate) passed to be enacted, to wit :—

Bills enacted
and to Gov-
ernor.

To amend the charter of the Chicopee Water Company and to authorize it to issue bonds and mortgage its franchise and other property to secure its bonds.

To provide clerical assistance for the State Library.

In relation to the assessment and registration of women as voters.

Extending the time for the completion of the public park in the city of Boston known as the Charles River Embankment.

To authorize police courts to order the defendant in civil cases to file an answer.

Resolve passed,
etc.

An engrossed resolve providing for printing extra copies of the report of the Board of Gas Commissioners (which originated in the Senate) passed and with the above-named bills was laid before the Governor for his approval.

Tobacco.

An engrossed bill to prohibit the sale or gift of tobacco to persons under sixteen years of age, being put on its

final passage, was recommitted to the committee on Engrossed Bills, on motion of Mr. Cogswell, with instructions to again compare the same with the bill as passed to be engrossed.

The order laid over from yesterday respecting the petitions of Cyrus W. Field and others and Brewster, Cobb & Eastabrook was laid on the table. Cyrus W. Field et als.

Mr. Naphen moved to reconsider the vote by which the Senate refused to order to a third reading the bill relating to the opening of polls on election days, and the motion was laid on the table. Polls, opening of.

The Orders of the Day were taken up, and the motion to reconsider the vote by which the Senate passed to be engrossed the House bill concerning the punishment of rape was carried in the affirmative and the bill was laid on the table. Rape.

The motion to reconsider the vote by which the Senate passed to be engrossed the bill to incorporate the town of Hopedale, being considered, the question on that motion was determined as follows, to wit: — Hopedale.

YEAS. — Messrs. Boynton, Emerson, Howard, Naphen. Wilbur. — 13.	Douglas, Forbes, Jones, F. W., Scott,	Dunbar, Gove, Kendricken, Tappan,
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NAYS. — Messrs. Gleason, Howland, Morrill, Nourse, Reed. — 13.	Gould, Jefferson, Morse, Phillips,	Hayes, Locke, Norris, Pillsbury,
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ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Alger, Jones, E. D. G. — 4.	Bigelow, Jefts,
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PAIRED. — Mr. Cogswell (yea), Mr. Milliken (nay). Mr. Lilley (yea), Mr. Harlow (nay). Mr. Walker (yea), Mr. Gunn (nay). Mr. McGahey (yea), Mr. Joyner (nay). Mr. Murphy (yea), Mr. Joslin (nay). — 10.

And the motion was carried in the negative, and the bill was sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The House bills

Bills.

To amend section 4 of chapter 74 of the Public Statutes relative to the printed notice required in manufacturing establishments ;

To authorize the town of Stoneham to refund certain taxes ;

To authorize the City Missionary Society to provide temporal relief for the poor, and to enable the same to hold additional real and personal estate ;

Authorizing the Boston Marine Insurance Company to extend its business ;

In relation to the Protestant Episcopal and Reformed Episcopal Churches ; and

Relating to the bonds of treasurers of savings banks and institutions for savings, were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Battle of Bennington.

The Senate resolve in aid of the erection of a monument in commemoration of the Battle of Bennington was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Railroads.

The House bill for the protection of the lives and limbs of employees on railroads was read a third time and the same being reported by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading in a new draft entitled a bill for the protection of railroad employees, it was read and ordered to a second reading.

Storage warehousemen.

The Senate bill to empower storage warehousemen to sell property for non-payment of storage and other charges was in accordance with the report of the committee thereon, rejected.

Worcester, Nashua & Rochester Railroad Company.

The House bill to authorize and confirm a lease of the Worcester, Nashua and Rochester Railroad Company by the Boston and Maine Railroad was read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The House reports

J. F. Baldwin.

Of the committee on Claims, on the petition of J. F. Baldwin for compensation for the use of one steam laundry machine at the State Almshouse at Tewksbury ;

Ipswich.

Of the committee on Parishes and Religious Societies, on the petition of members of the South Parish in Ipswich for legislation authorizing and empowering trustees of a

certain Bible fund in said parish to devote the funds in their hands to certain other parish purposes ;

Of the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, on the 53d annual report of the Trustees of the Worcester Lunatic Hospital ; and Lunatic hospitals.

Of the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, on the 32d annual report of the Trustees of the Taunton Lunatic Hospital, were severally accepted in concurrence. Taunton Lunatic Hospital.

Adjourned.

TUESDAY, March 16, 1886.

Met according to adjournment.

Mr. Morrill, from the committee on Expenditures, on the message of the Governor transmitting to the Legislature a memorial of the senators and representatives of Massachusetts in Congress asking that the Commonwealth furnish worthy portraits of Speakers Sedgwick, Varnum and Banks for the National Collection in the Capitol at Washington, D. C., reported Speakers of National House of Representatives.

A resolve providing for portraits of Speakers Sedgwick, Varnum and Banks, for the National Capitol at Washington, D. C., and the same was read and ordered to a second reading.

Mr. Forbes, from the committee on Education, on the order relative to appropriations for evening schools and regulating attendance on the same ; and Evening schools.

On the order relative to amending chapter 48 of the Public Statutes relative to the employment of children, reported that it is inexpedient to legislate thereon ; and Children, employment of.

The same Senator, from the same committee, on the order relative to the compulsory education of illiterate minors, reported the same be referred to the next General Court, and these reports were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow. Illiterate minors.

Mr. Tappan, from the committee on Prisons, on so much of the annual report of the Commissioners of Prisons upon the State Prison and the Massachusetts Reformatory as relates to sentences to such institutions, reported, asking to be discharged from the further consideration thereof and recommending that the same be referred to the Senate committee on the Judiciary, and State Prison. Mass. Reformatory.

the report was accepted and sent down for concurrence in so much as discharges the committee on Prisons.

Came up concurred.

Insect-eating
birds.

Mr. Scott presented petitions of the

Massachusetts Horticultural Society ;

Silas P. Cook, representing a meeting of the Congregational clergy of Boston and vicinity ;

J. I. T. Coolidge and others of the Episcopal clergy of Boston and vicinity ;

D. H. Ela, representing a meeting of the Methodist Episcopal clergy ;

Elmer H. Capen, representing the Universalist clergy ;

Arthur J. Hovey, representing the Baptist clergy ; and

Daniel Needham representing a meeting of farmers, in aid of that of the Massachusetts Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals for legislation to require instruction in the public schools on the importance of protecting insect-eating birds and treating the lower animals kindly ;

Referred to the committee on Fisheries and Game.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Papers from the House.

Executors and
administrators.

A bill in relation to the sale of real estate by executors and administrators at private sale was read and referred to the committee on Probate and Insolvency.

Resolves

James H.
Willey.

In favor of James H. Willey (on the petition of the same) ; and

Sophie S. Coffin.

In favor of Sophie S. Coffin (on the petition of the same), were severally read and referred to the committee on the Treasury.

Reports.

Reports (that it is inexpedient to legislate)

Of the committee on the Liquor Law, on an order relative to amending the law concerning the hour of closing liquor saloons ; and

On an order relative to enabling common victuallers to transact business after 5 o'clock P.M. on election days ; and

Of the committee on Taxation, on an order relative to amending section 48 of chapter 11 of the Public Statutes

relating to the assessment of state and county taxes upon polls; and

A report of the committee on Military Affairs, granting leave to withdraw, on the petition of Owen McAuliffe for compensation for injuries sustained through the carelessness of the 1st Corps of Cadets while engaged in rifle practice at Hingham, were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow.

The following papers were severally referred in concurrence:—

Petitions of

Eliza A. Clapp and others;

Susan P. Fuller and others; and

Sarah J. Parker and others, for legislation to provide for the election of school committees upon separate ballots;

School Committee.

Severally to the committee on Education.

A petition of Moses L. Andrews and others of Gloucester, that telephone rates may be limited by law; and

Moses L. Andrews.

A petition of the Franklin Typographical Society for an amendment of its charter to enable it to hold real and personal property to the amount of \$20,000 (the last under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule);

Franklin Typographical Society.

Severally to the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

Petitions of

E. E. Barns and 257 others;

Edward Loftus and others; and

H. N. Bodwell and others, severally in aid of the petition of E. D. Brainard and others for the incorporation of the Berkshire Heights Water Company;

E. D. Brainard et al.

Severally to the committee on Water Supply.

The Senate bill requiring the county commissioners of Middlesex County to cause to be made copies of certain records and plans in the Registry of Deeds for the Southern District came up passed to be engrossed in concurrence with an amendment, and the Senate concurred therein.

Middlesex County.

A petition of John F. Wallace for compensation for certain losses sustained by him in consequence of acting under military orders as a member of Co. C, 5th Regi-

John F. Wallace.

ment, M. V. M., came up referred under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule to the committee on Military Affairs, and the Senate concurred in the suspension of said rule and non-concurred in the reference of the same to the committee on Military Affairs, and referred the petition to the committee on Claims, and it was returned to the House for its concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Bills Enacted and Resolves Passed.

The following engrossed bills (the first four of which originated in the Senate) passed to be enacted, to wit: —

Bills enacted
and to Gov-
ernor.

To authorize the Massachusetts Universalist Convention to hold additional real and personal estate.

To authorize the Massachusetts Baptist Charitable Society to hold additional real and personal estate.

In relation to loans by savings banks and institutions for savings on personal security.

To prohibit the sale or gift of tobacco to persons under sixteen years of age.

To establish the polls and estates of the several cities and towns in the Commonwealth.

To establish the number of medical examiners and the districts of the same in the county of Plymouth.

Resolves
passed, etc.

The following engrossed resolves (both of which originated in the Senate) passed, and with the above-named bills were laid before the Governor for his approval, to wit: —

To provide for completing and furnishing a laboratory for the Massachusetts Agricultural Experimental Station.
In favor of the town of Hanson.

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

Bills

Bills.

Providing for the registration and licensing of plumbers in the city of Newton;

For the protection of railroad employees;

Relating to the revision of the ward boundaries, and the apportionment of members of the common council in the city of Cambridge;

Relating to sidewalks, crosswalks, common sewers and main drains in the fire district of the town of Pittsfield;

To authorize the city of Northampton to renew a portion of its water bonds ;

To confirm the proceedings of the Third Congregational Society in Cambridge and to authorize said society to convey to the Trustees of Donations to the Protestant Episcopal Church, certain real estate ; and

Resolves

Relative to the establishment of an Arbor Day ;

Resolves.

In favor of Philomena E. Nolan ; and

In favor of Theodore E. Davis, were severally read a second time, and ordered to a third reading.

The bill to authorize and confirm a lease of the Worcester, Nashua and Rochester Railroad Company by the Boston and Maine Railroad, was read a third time. Mr. Dunbar offered certain amendments therein, and the bill was passed over.

Worcester,
Nashua &
Rochester Rail-
road Company.

The House reports

Of the committee on Towns, on the petition of Henry Hastings and others of Medford for a division of said town ;

Reports.

Of the committee on Banks and Banking, on the Summary of Annual Reports of County Officers ;

Of the committee on Education, on an order relative to requiring certain children to attend a public school a certain length of time during the year ;

On an order relative to the election of school committee in the city of Boston by districts ;

Of the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, on an order relative to the care of the poor in public institutions or in regard to out-door relief for the poor ; and

Of the committee on Public Service, on the petition of the first assistant clerk of the Superior Court of Suffolk County for an increase of salary, were severally accepted in concurrence.

Adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, March 17, 1886.

Met according to adjournment.

Mr. Jefts, from the committee on the Liquor Law, on the petition of B. B. Johnson and others, reported

A bill to amend section 12 of chapter 100 of the Public Statutes relating to licenses issued to common victuallers.

Intoxicating
Liquors.

Boston & Lowell
Railroad Corpo-
ration.

Mr. Norris, from the committee on Railroads, on the petition of the Boston and Lowell Railroad Corporation, reported

A bill to amend chapter 153 of the Acts of the year 1884 authorizing the Boston and Lowell Railroad Corporation to unite and consolidate with certain railroads and for other purposes.

New Bedford
prison.

Mr. Tappan, from the committee on Prisons, on an order in relation to the subject, reported

A bill to provide for enlarging the county prison at New Bedford.

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Municipal
Court,
Charlestown.

Mr. Nourse, from the committee on Public Service, on the petition of the constables of the Municipal Court of the Charlestown District for an increase of salary, reported that the petitioners have leave to withdraw, and the report was read and placed in the Orders of the Day for tomorrow.

Telephone
charges.

Petitions were presented and referred as follows : —

By Mr. Jones of Berkshire, a petition of the Greylock Mills and others ;

By Mr. Alger, a petition of the Mutual Fire Ins. Co. and others of Cambridge ;

By Mr. Locke, a petition of the Russell Paper Co. and others ;

By Mr. Emerson, a petition of the Arlington Mills and others ;

By Mr. Boynton, a petition of Horace D. Hadley and others, severally that telephone charges may be limited by law ;

To the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Papers from the House.

Hampshire
County.

A bill to establish the salary of the clerk of the district court of Hampshire (on the petition of Haynes H. Chilson), was read and ordered to a second reading.

Bills

Railroad Corpo-
rations.

Authorizing actions of tort against street railway corporations for loss of life by negligence ;

To exempt the wages of seamen from attachment by the trustee process, were severally read and referred to the committee on the Judiciary. Seamen, Wages of.

The Senate report of the committee on Banks and Banking, that it is inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to requiring savings banks to prepare a system of accounts, and to keep a record of deposits and of certain facts pertaining to depositors, so that a comprehensive knowledge may be obtained of the amount and sums deposited by the wage-workers of the State, was recommitted in concurrence to the committee on Banks and Banking. Savings banks.

The following papers were severally referred in concurrence : —

A petition of the mayor of Holyoke, that said city may be exempted from the operations of sections 1 and 2 of chapter 312 of the Acts of the year 1885, relative to limiting taxation in cities (under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule) ; Holyoke.

To the committee on Cities.

A bill to establish the office of a second assistant attorney-general and to provide thereby additional clerical assistance to the General Court and the committees thereof ; Second assistant Attorney-general.

To the joint committee on the Judiciary.

Resolutions relative to the National Board of Health ; National Board of Health.
To the committee on Federal Relations.

Petitions of

Milton Bonney and others ; and

The New England Machine Company and others, severally that telephone rates may be limited by law ; Telephone rates.

To the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

Petitions of

J. W. H. Hill and others ; and

C. H. Rand and others, severally in aid of that of the Boston and Lowell Railroad Corporation for authority to build a branch connecting the Mystic Branch with the Salem and Lowell Railroad at Peabody ; Boston & Lowell Railroad Corporation.

To the committee on Railroads.

Bills Enacted.

The following engrossed bills (the first of which origi-

nated in the Senate) passed to be enacted, and were laid before the Governor for his approval, to wit:—

Bills enacted
and to Gov-
ernor.

To amend the charter of the Springfield Safe Deposit and Trust Company.

To authorize the city of Chelsea to lay out and maintain a public park.

To change the name of the New England Aid Society for the Aged and Friendless.

In relation to notices of changes in wards and voting precincts in cities.

Relating to the authority of towns to grant and vote money for certain memorial purposes.

To amend the charter of the Massachusetts New Church Union.

Notices of rejection of bills.

Notice was received that the

Bill in regard to the assessment and apportionment of poll and other taxes (introduced on leave in the Senate); and

The bill to provide that lodging-house keepers shall have a lien on the baggage and effects of their lodgers, had been severally rejected by the House of Representatives.

Also, that the Senate resolutions

Relative to the proposed increase of postage on fourth-class matter; and

In relation to the Indian policy of the United States, had been severally indefinitely postponed by the House of Representatives.

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

Worcester,
Nashua &
Rochester Rail-
road Company.

The House bill to authorize and confirm a lease of the Worcester, Nashua and Rochester Railroad Company by the Boston and Maine Railroad was further considered.

Mr. Dunbar withdrew the amendment proposed by him at the last session, and submitted the following in place thereof:—

Strike out from lines 6 and 7 of section 1 the words “be construed as a waiver of,” and insert in the place thereof the word “affect;” also

Strike out from lines 7 and 8 of said section the words “the Commonwealth may now have,” and insert in place thereof the words “duties or liabilities now or heretofore existing.”

And the question on this motion was determined as follows, to wit:—

YEAS. — Messrs. Dunbar, Gove, Jones, E. D. G.,
Lilley, Scott. — 5.

NAYS. — Messrs. Alger, Boynton, Cogswell,
Douglas, Emerson, Forbes,
Gleason, Gould, Howard,
Howland, Jefferson, Jefts,
Jones, F. W., Joslin, Kendricken,
Locke, Morrill, Morse,
Murphy, Naphen, Norris,
Phillips, Reed, Tappan,
Wilbur. — 25.

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Bigelow, Gunn, Hayes,
Joyner, McGahey, Milliken,
Walker. — 7.

PAIRED. — Mr. Harlow (yea) with Mr. Nourse (nay). — 2.

So the amendment was lost and the bill was passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

The resolve providing for portraits of Speakers Sedgwick, Varnum and Banks, for the National Capitol at Washington, D. C., was read a second time and ordered to a third reading. Speakers National House of Representatives.

The Senate bill providing for the registration and licensing of plumbers in the city of Newton was read a third time and passed to be engrossed. Newton.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The bill for the protection of railroad employees was read a third time and laid on the table. Railroad employees.

The House bills

Relating to the revision of the ward boundaries, and the apportionment of members of the common council in the city of Cambridge; Bills.

Relating to sidewalks, crosswalks, common sewers and main drains in the fire district of the town of Pittsfield;

To authorize the city of Northampton to renew a portion of its water bonds; and the

House resolves

In favor of Philomena E. Nolan; and Resolves.

In favor of Theodore E. Davis, were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Arbor Day.

The House resolve relative to the establishment of an Arbor Day was read a third time and recommitted to the committee on Bills in the Third Reading.

Reports.

The Senate reports

Of the committee on Education, on the order relative to appropriations for evening schools and regulating attendance on the same ;

On the order relative to amending chapter 48 of the Public Statutes relative to the employment of children ; and

On the order relative to the compulsory education of illiterate minors were severally accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Ibid.

The House reports

Of the committee on the Liquor Law, on an order relative to amending the law concerning the hour of closing liquor saloons ; and

On an order relative to enabling common victuallers to transact business after 5 o'clock P. M., on election days ;

Of the committee on Military Affairs, on the petition of Owen McAuliffe for compensation for injuries sustained through the carelessness of the 1st Corps of Cadets while engaged in rifle practice at Hingham ; and

Of the committee on Taxation, on an order relative to amending section 48 of chapter 11 of the Public Statutes relating to the assessment of state and county taxes upon polls, were severally accepted in concurrence.

Adjourned.

THURSDAY, March 18, 1886.

Met according to adjournment.

Mr. Morrill, from the committee on the Treasury, on the Senate

Resolves

Lyman School
for Boys.

For the completion of certain buildings and for the construction of a chapel at Westborough for the Lyman School for Boys ; and

State Work-
house.
Thomas J. Can-
non et als.

In favor of the State Workhouse at Bridgewater ; and
The House resolve in favor of Geo. H. Cannon, Thomas J. Cannon, Josiah Robinson, Benjamin F. Robinson, John

Gillespie, Farnham Gillespie and Francis Jenkins, reported that said resolves severally ought to pass, and they were ordered to a second reading.

Mr. Tappan, from the committee on Fisheries and Game, on the petition of Samuel C. Cobb and others, representing the Massachusetts Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals, for further legislation to protect our insect-eating birds, etc., reported, asking to be discharged from the further consideration thereof, and recommending that the same be referred to the committee on Education, and the report was accepted.

Samuel C. Cobb
et alia.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Petitions, etc., were presented and referred, as follows:—

By Mr. Alger, a petition of L. M. Hannum and others; Telephone charges.

By Mr. Jefferson, a petition of the First National Bank of Worcester and others;

By Mr. Boynton, a petition of Joseph E. Ober and others; and

By Mr. E. D. G. Jones, a petition of the American Zylonite Co. and others, severally that telephone charges be regulated by law;

To the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Papers from the House.

Bills

To extend the time for constructing the New York and Boston Inland Railroad (on the petition of said company); New York and Boston Inland R. R. Co.

Relating to clerical assistance in the office of the register of probate and insolvency in Essex County (on an order in relation to the subject); and Essex County.

To incorporate the Plainville Water Company (on the petition of James D. Lincoln and others), were severally read and ordered to a second reading. Plainville Water Company.

A bill in relation to the fees for the services of appraisers and other persons appointed under legal process was read and referred to the committee on Probate and Insolvency. Appraisers

A report of the committee on Cities, that it is inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to placing the erection of the Suffolk Court House in the hands of the Boston.

mayor of Boston and the regular departments, like other city work, was read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow.

The following papers were severally referred in concurrence : —

Telephone
rates.

Petitions of

S. W. Smith and others of Palmer ;

S. W. Allis and others of Whately ;

J. S. Gleason and others of Southbridge ;

C. W. Ripley and others of New Bedford ;

The Eastern Elastic Gusset Company and others of Chelsea ;

W. E. Seeley and others of Lenox ;

Davis, Gurney & Co. and others of South Abington ;

The Cape Ann Isinglass Company and others of Gloucester ;

Albert F. Morse and others of Canton ;

Charles A. Royce and others of Springfield ;

C. A. Hodges and others of Webster ;

Charles Porter and others ;

A. P. Marble and others of Worcester ;

The Springdale Paper Company and others of Westfield ;

J. L. Pratt and others of Brookline ; and

Stickney & Poor and others of Boston, severally that telephone rates may be limited by law ;

To the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

Shawsheen
River.

A remonstrance of Dudley Foster and 33 others of Billerica against taking the water of Shawsheen River by the city of Boston ;

To the committee on Water Supply.

Convict Labor.

A bill to require a brand upon all goods, wares, merchandise or other article or thing made for sale by convict labor in any penitentiary, reformatory prison, school or other establishment in which convict labor is employed, came up referred, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule, to the committee on Prisons, and the Senate non-concurred in the suspension of said rule and the same was accordingly referred to the next General Court.

J. E. Moody
et als.

A petition of J. E. Moody and others for legislation relative to the rebuilding, by the Eastern Railroad Company, of a bridge over Rowley River, came up referred,

under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule, to the committee on Railroads, and the Senate non-concurred in the suspension of said rule, and the same was accordingly referred to the next General Court.

Bills Enacted.

The following engrossed bills (all of which originated in the House) passed to be enacted and were laid before the Governor for his approval, to wit: —

To change the name of the Knitted Carpet Lining Company. Bills enacted
and to Gov.
ernor.

Authorizing a new division of the wards of the city of Lynn.

To extend the time within which savings banks and institutions for savings may sell certain real estate now held by them.

Authorizing bakers to make sales during certain hours of the Lord's Day.

The resolve to amend the Constitution relative to the qualification of voters for governor, lieutenant-governor, senators and representatives; and the Constitution.

Bill to repeal section seven of chapter three hundred and forty-five of the Acts of the year eighteen hundred and eighty-five, relating to naturalization, were severally taken from the table and ordered to be placed in the Orders of the Day for Tuesday next. Naturalization.

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

The bill to amend section 12 of chapter 100 of the Public Statutes, relating to licenses issued to common victuallers, was read a second time, and the question on ordering the same to a third reading was determined as follows, to wit: — Intoxicating
liquors.

YEAS. — Messrs. Bigelow, Emerson, Gould, Joslin, Nourse, Tappan,	Boynton, Forbes, Harlow, Morse, Reed, Walker,	Dunbar, Gleason, Howland, Norris, Scott, Wilbur. — 18.
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NAYS. — Messrs. Douglas, Joyner, McGahey,	Gove, Lilley, Morrill,	Jefferson, Locke, Murphy. — 9.
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ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Cogswell,	Gunn,	Hayes,
Howard,	Jones, E. D. G.	Jones, F. W.,
Kendricken,	Milliken,	Naphen,
Phillips. — 10.		

PAIRED. — Mr. Jefts (yea) with Mr. Alger (nay). — 2.

So the bill was ordered to a third reading.

Boston & Lowell
Railroad Corpo-
ration.

The bill to amend chapter 153 of the Acts of the year 1884, authorizing the Boston and Lowell Railroad Corporation to unite and consolidate with certain railroads, and for other purposes, was read a second time, amended, on motion of Mr. Norris, and ordered to a third reading.

New Bedford.

The bills

To provide for enlarging the county prison at New Bedford; and

Hampshire
County.

To establish the salary of the clerk of the district court of Hampshire, were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Speakers Na-
tional House of
Represent-
atives.

The Senate resolve providing for portraits of Speakers Sedgwick, Varnum, and Banks, for the National Capitol at Washington, D. C., was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Municipal
Court, Charles-
town.

The Senate report of the committee on Public Service, on the petition of the constables of the municipal court of the Charlestown District for an increase of salary, was accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

Adjourned.

FRIDAY, March 19, 1886.

Met according to adjournment.

Boston.

Mr. Scott, from the committee on Water Supply, on the petition of the Board of Water Commissioners of the city of Boston, reported, in part, a bill to authorize the city of Boston to purchase the property of the Jamaica Pond Aqueduct Corporation.

Mr. Nourse, from the committee on Public Service, on the petitions of the constables of the Municipal Court of the city of Boston for criminal business and for civil business, reported a bill relating to the salaries of certain court officers in the county of Suffolk. Boston Municipal Court.

Mr. Scott, from the committee on Education, on the petition of L. T. Jefts and others, reported a bill relative to the returns to be made to the Commissioner of Corporations by the New England Conservatory of Music, and these Bills were severally read and ordered to a second reading. New England Conservatory of Music.

Mr. Douglas, from the committee on the Treasury, on the House resolve in favor of Sophie S. Coffin and ; Sophie S. Coffin.

Mr. Morrill, from the same committee, on the House resolve in favor of James H. Willey, severally reported that these resolves ought to pass, and they were ordered to a second reading. James H. Willey.

Mr. Walker, from the committee on Insurance, on the order concerning the issuing of forfeitable life insurance policies, reported that it is inexpedient to legislate thereon, and the same was read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow. Life Insurance policies.

Petitions were presented and referred as follows :—

By Mr. Reed, a petition of the Bristol County Savings Bank and others ; and Telephone rates.

By Mr. Joyner, a petition of the Monument Mills and others, severally that telephone charges may be limited by law ;

To the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Orders Adopted.

On motion of Mr. Harlow of Middlesex, —

Ordered (under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule), Arsenic.
That the committee on Public Health consider the expediency of prohibiting the sale of fabrics or papers in the manufacture of which arsenic or any of its compounds are used.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

J. E. Moody
et al.

The vote of yesterday by which the Senate refused to suspend the 12th Joint Rule to admit the House petition of J. E. Moody and others for legislation relative to the rebuilding by the Eastern Railroad Company of a bridge over Rowley River, was reconsidered, and the same was referred in concurrence, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule, to the committee on Railroads.

Convict Labor.

Mr. Norris moved to reconsider the vote by which the Senate refused to suspend the 12th Joint Rule to admit the House bill to require a brand upon all goods, wares, merchandise or other articles or things made for sale by convict labor in any penitentiary, reformatory prison, school or other establishment in which convict labor is employed, and the motion was laid on the table.

Papers from the House.

The following papers were severally referred in concurrence : —

Telephone
rates.

Petitions of
G. T. C. Holden and others of Greenfield ;
T. A. Orcutt and others of Florence ;
Stillman W. Libby and others of Somerville ;
H. A. Greeley and others of Milford ;
The Lamb Knitting Machine Company and others of
Chicopee Falls ;
William T. Whedon and others of Norwood ;
L. M. Palmer and others of Framingham ;
S. N. & T. E. Hall and others of Pittsfield ;
O. B. Chadwick and others of Peabody ;
F. J. Perkins and others of Waltham ;
Neyland & Quinn and others of Williamstown ;
The City Treasurer of Taunton and others ; and
John R. Thayer and others of Worcester, severally
that telephone rates may be limited by law ;
To the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

Boston & Low-
ell R. R. Co.

A petition of Henry G. Starr and others in aid of the petition of the Boston and Lowell Railroad Corporation for power to build a branch connecting the Mystic Branch with the Salem and Lowell Railroad at Peabody ;
To the committee on Railroads.

A petition of John G. Whittier and others of Amesbury for the enactment of a law enabling women to vote in all town and municipal elections;

Women
suffrage.

To the committee on Woman Suffrage.

The following engrossed bills (the first three of which originated in the Senate), passed to be enacted, to wit:—

To provide for the weekly payment of wages by corporations.

Bills enacted
and to Gov.
ernor.

To limit the amount which savings banks and institutions for savings may deposit in any one national bank or trust company.

Relating to the bonds of treasurers of savings banks and institutions for savings.

To provide for the redemption of lands set off on execution.

To authorize the City Missionary Society to provide temporal relief for the poor, and to enable said society to hold additional real and personal estate.

To amend section four of chapter seventy-four of the Public Statutes relative to the printed notice required in manufacturing establishments.

Regulating the liability for damages of the town of Huntington, in the county of Hampshire, in relation to Norwich bridge and Pitcher's bridge in said town.

To authorize the town of Stoneham to refund certain taxes.

To authorize and confirm a lease of the Worcester, Nashua and Rochester Railroad Company by the Boston and Maine Railroad.

An engrossed resolve in favor of Theodore E. Davis (which originated in the House), passed, and with the above-named bills was laid before the Governor for his approval.

Resolve passed,
etc.

The motion to reconsider the vote by which the Senate refused to order to a third reading the bill relating to the opening of polls on election days, was taken from the table and ordered to be placed in the Orders of the Day for Tuesday next.

Election Days.

The Senate bill for the protection of railroad employees, was taken from the table and passed to be engrossed.

Railroad Com-
panies.

Sent down for concurrence.

Third Congre-
gational Society
in Cambridge.

The Orders of the Day were taken up and the bill to confirm the proceedings of the Third Congregational Society in Cambridge and to authorize said society to convey to the Trustees of Donations to the Protestant Episcopal Church certain real estate, was read a third time and the committee on Bills in the Third Reading having reported the bill in a new draft, the same was read and ordered to a second reading.

Essex County.

The House bill relating to clerical assistance in the office of the register of probate and insolvency in Essex County, was referred to the committee on the Treasury.

Bills.

The bills
To extend the time for constructing the New York and Boston Inland Railroad; and
To incorporate the Plainville Water Company; and the Resolves

Resolves.

Relative to the establishment of an Arbor Day;
For the completion of certain buildings and for the construction of a chapel at Westborough for the Lyman School for Boys;

In favor of George H. Cannon, Thomas J. Cannon, Josiah Robinson, Benjamin F. Robinson, John Gillespie, Farnham Gillespie and Francis Jenkins; and

In favor of the State Workhouse at Bridgewater, were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Intoxicating
Liquors.

The bill to amend section 12 of chapter 100 of the Public Statutes relating to licenses issued to common victuallers was laid on the table.

Boston & Lowell
Railroad Corpo-
ration.

The Senate bill to amend chapter 153 of the Acts of the year 1884 authorizing the Boston and Lowell Railroad Corporation to unite and consolidate with certain railroads and for other purposes, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

New Bedford.

The Senate bill to provide for enlarging the county prison at New Bedford was read a third time, amended as proposed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

The House bill to establish the salary of the clerk of the district court of Hampshire, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence. Hampshire County.

The House report of the committee on Cities, on an order relative to placing the erection of the Suffolk County Court House in the hands of the mayor of Boston, and the regular departments, like other city work, was passed over. Boston.

Adjourned.

MONDAY, March 22, 1886.

Met according to adjournment.

The bill to amend section 12 of chapter 100 of the Public Statutes relating to licenses issued to common victuallers, was taken from the table and ordered to be placed in the Orders of the Day for Thursday next. Intoxicating Liquors.

Petitions were presented and referred as follows:—

By Mr. Cogswell of Essex, a petition of Wheeler & Perkins and others; by Mr. Phillips, a petition of Elijah Shaw and others, severally that telephone charges be limited by law; Telephone rates.

To the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Papers from the House.

Bills

Relating to providing means of communication between rooms in manufacturing establishments where machinery is propelled by steam and the room where the engineer is stationed (on an order in relation to the subject); Manufacturing Establishments.

To incorporate the Real Estate Improvement Company of Haverhill, in the county of Essex (on the petition of the same); and Haverhill.

To change the name of the corporation of "The Trustees of the Newton Theological Institution" (on the petition of the same), were severally read and ordered to a second reading. Newton Theological Institution.

A bill in relation to the time at which statutes shall take effect, was read and referred to the committee on the Judiciary. Statutes.

Reports.

Reports (that it is inexpedient to legislate)

Of the committee on Education, on an order relative to providing that children under the age of eighteen years who have not graduated from a grammar school be compelled to attend an evening school ;

Of the committee on the Liquor Law, on an order relative to requiring the board of police of the city of Boston to issue licenses to persons of good moral character when there is no legal objection thereto ;

Of the same committee, on an order relative to the better enforcement by local authorities of the laws relating to the sale of intoxicating liquors ;

Of the same committee, on an order relative to granting only one license to each five hundred inhabitants, in such cities and towns as vote to grant licenses for the sale of intoxicating liquors ;

Of the same committee, on an order relative to further legislation concerning the transfer of licenses ;

Of the committee on Printing, on an order relative to reprinting the Adjutant General's reports for the years 1861 to 1865, inclusive, the same to be sold at cost ;

Of the committee on Public Service, on an order relative to fixing the salaries of the extra clerks in the various State departments at \$1,300 per year ; and

Reports (granting leave to withdraw)

Of the committee on Public Service, on the petition of John Rogers and E. Dewing Foss, constables in the municipal court of the South Boston District, for increase of salary ;

Of the same committee, on the petition of Alvin I. Phillips, constable of the municipal court of the Dorchester District of the city of Boston, for an increase of salary ;

Of the committee on Railroads, on the petition of Joel Proctor and others, that the time granted the Lancaster Railroad to build its road be reduced two years ;

Of the committee on Towns, on the petition of J. W. Page and others, that a part of Melrose may be annexed to the city of Malden ;

Of the same committee, on the petition of John W. Tuttle and others of Watertown, that that portion of Watertown on the south side of Charles River may be annexed to Newton ; and

Of the same committee, on the petition of F. C. Pope, C. A. Richards and others, for the annexation of Atlantic, Squantum and Moon Island to Boston, were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow.

The following papers were severally referred in concurrence : —

A remonstrance of William B. Floyd and 189 others of Winthrop. Winthrop against authorizing said town to raise money for sewerage purposes ; and

A petition of William R. Hill and others of Sutton for Blackstone River. legislation to prevent the further pollution of the Blackstone River by the Worcester system of sewerage ;

Severally to the committee on Drainage.

Petitions of

Hill Bros. and others ;

J. H. Howard and others of Hatfield ;

S. K. Dexter and others of Lowell ;

A. M. Danforth and others of Reading ;

C. F. Craft and others of Needham ;

James E. Coyne and others of Chelsea ;

Thomas Rice and others of Shrewsbury and Boylston ;

The Standard Brick Company and others of Springfield ;

James E. Blake and others of New Bedford ; and

George O. Ladd and others, severally that telephone rates may be limited by law ;

To the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

A remonstrance of the mayor and 420 others of Haverhill against further legislation relative to the construction of a foot-walk on the railroad bridge between Haverhill and Bradford ;

To the committee on Roads and Bridges.

Notice was received that the resolve to amend the Constitution so as to provide for biennial elections had not been agreed to by the House of Representatives.

Telephone rates.

Haverhill and Bradford.

Biennial Elections.

Bills Enacted.

The following engrossed bills, all of which originated in the House, passed to be enacted and were laid before the Governor for his approval, to wit:—

Bills enacted
and to Gov-
ernor.

In relation to the Protestant Episcopal and Reformed Episcopal churches.

To enable the Hingham Water Company to increase its water supply.

To confirm the proceedings of, and title to, lands of the trustees of the Roslindale Methodist Episcopal Church.

Giving additional time for the assessment of taxes in certain cases.

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

Boston.

The report of the committee on Cities, on an order relative to placing the erection of the Suffolk Court House in the hands of the mayor of Boston, and the regular departments, like other city work, being considered, Mr. Murphy proposed as a substitute for the report, a bill, and the report was passed over and the bill ordered to be printed.

Bills.

The bills

Relating to the salaries of certain court officers in the county of Suffolk;

Relative to the returns to be made to the Commissioner of Corporations by the New England Conservatory of Music;

To confirm the proceedings of the Third Congregational Society in Cambridge and to authorize said society to convey to the trustees of Donations to the Protestant Episcopal Church certain real estate; and the

Resolves

Resolves.

In favor of James H. Willey; and

In favor of Sophie S. Coffin, were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Boston.

The bill to authorize the city of Boston to purchase the property of the Jamaica Pond Aqueduct Corporation was read a second time and laid on the table.

New York and
Boston Rail-
road.

The House bill to extend the time for constructing the New York and Boston Inland Railroad was read a third time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

The Senate resolve relative to the establishment of an Arbor Day. Arbor Day (in a new draft of the House resolve), was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

The Senate resolve for the completion of certain buildings and for the construction of a chapel at Westborough for the Lyman School for Boys was read a third time, amended on motion of Mr. Dunbar and passed to be engrossed. Lyman School for Boys.

Sent down for concurrence.

The Senate resolve in favor of the State Workhouse at Bridgewater was read a third time and passed to be engrossed. State Workhouse.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The Senate report of the committee on Insurance, on the order concerning the issuing of forfeitable life insurance policies was accepted. Life Insurance policies.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Adjourned.

TUESDAY, March 23, 1886.

Met according to adjournment.

Mr. Howland, from the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, on the petition of the Massachusetts General Hospital, reported a bill to repeal a part of the second section of the act to incorporate certain persons by the name of the Massachusetts General Hospital. Mass. General Hospital.

Mr. Nourse, from the committee on Public Service, on the petition of Edward A. Brown, treasurer of Worcester County, reported a bill to establish the salary of the county treasurer of Worcester County. Worcester County, Treasurer of.

The same Senator, from the same committee, on the petition of E. Kendall Jenkins, treasurer of Essex County, reported a bill to establish the salary of the county treasurer of Essex County. Essex County, Treasurer of.

Charles River
embankment.
City of Boston
park.

Mr. Gove, from the committee on Harbors and Public Lands, on the petition of the Park Commissioners of the city of Boston for an amendment of the act of the year 1881 authorizing the construction of the Charles River Embankment, submitted as a final report a bill to change a portion of the line of the sea-wall of the public park in the city of Boston known as the Charles River Embankment.

Charles River
Embankment
Co.

Mr. Tappan, from the same committee, on the petition of the Charles River Embankment Company for an extension of the time for the completion of certain work, reported a bill in relation to the Charles River Embankment Company.

Greylock Park
Association.

Mr. Cogswell, from the committee on the Judiciary, on the petition of the Greylock Park Association, reported a bill to authorize the Greylock Park Association to increase its capital stock, and for other purposes.

And these bills were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Street Railway
Corporations.

Mr. Cogswell, from the committee on the Judiciary, on the House bill authorizing actions of tort against street railway corporations for loss of life by negligence, reported that the bill ought to pass amended as follows: Add to section one the words, "But no executor or administrator shall for the same cause, avail himself of more than one of the remedies given by this act and section two hundred and twelve of chapter one hundred and twelve of the Public Statutes," and the same was ordered to a second reading.

Statutes.

The same Senator, from the same committee, on the House bill in relation to the time at which statutes shall take effect, reported that the bill ought *not* to pass, and the bill was placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow on the question of rejection.

Essex County.

Mr. Morrill, from the committee on the Treasury, on the House bill relating to clerical assistance in the office of the register of probate and insolvency in Essex County, reported that the same ought to pass, and it was ordered to a second reading.

Mr. Cogswell, from the committee on the Judiciary, on Seamen, wages of. the House bill to exempt the wages of seamen from attachment by the trustee process, reported that the same ought to pass, and it was ordered to a second reading.

Mr. Dunbar, from the committee on Election Laws, on Contested election cases. an order relating to the subject, reported resolves providing for the publication of additional copies of the Reports of Cases of Contested Elections, for the future publication of such cases and for the compensation of the editors thereof, and the same were read and referred to the committee on Expenditures, under a suspension of the rule.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Mr. Norris, from the committee on Railroads, made a Worcester, Nashua & Rochester Railroad Company. final report on the petition of the Worcester, Nashua and Rochester Railroad Company, as follows :—

That the committee on Railroads be discharged from the further consideration thereof and that so much of said petition as relates to allowing savings banks to invest in the bonds and notes of the said company be referred to the committee on Banks and Banking, and the report was accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Mr. Milliken, from the committee on Harbors and Public Lands, on the petition of the Park Commissioners of Boston Parks, Commissioners of. the city of Boston for authority to fill certain flats and erect structures near Dorchester Point, reported that the same be referred to the next General Court.

Mr. Murphy, from the committee on Public Health, on Poisons. the order relative to the sale of poisonous drugs, medicines and chemicals, rat poisons, pest poisons, and like preparations, reported that it is inexpedient to legislate thereon, and these reports were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow.

Mr. Cogswell, on leave, introduced a bill to authorize Naumkeag Street Railway Company. the Naumkeag Street Railway Company to issue mortgage bonds, and the same was read and referred, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule, to the committee on Street Railways.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

P. L. Smith et
als.

Petitions were presented and referred as follows : —

By Mr. Norris, a petition of P. L. Smith and others of Tisbury for an act of incorporation as the Village Cemetery Association of Vineyard Haven, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule, to the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

Haverhill and
Bradford.

By Mr. Emerson, a petition of Charles Blanchard and 127 others, citizens of Haverhill, in aid of the petition for a sidewalk over the Boston and Maine Railroad bridge at Haverhill ;

To the committee on Roads and Bridges.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Protestant Epis-
copal and
Reformed Epis-
copal Churches.

On motion of Mr. Norris, a message was sent to His Excellency the Governor, requesting the return to the Senate of an engrossed bill in relation to the Protestant Episcopal and Reformed Episcopal Churches, and the same having been returned to the Senate in compliance with its request the vote by which the bill passed to be enacted was reconsidered and it was then recommitted to the committee on Engrossed Bills.

Order Adopted

Commonwealth,
employees of.

On motion of Mr. Harlow, —

Ordered, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule, That the committee on Public Service consider the expediency of regulating by law vacations for persons in the employ of the Commonwealth.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Arbor Day.

On motion of Mr. Gleason, the vote of yesterday, by which the Senate resolve relative to the establishment of an Arbor Day passed to be engrossed, was reconsidered, and the resolve amended by striking out the word "Thursday" in the third line thereof and inserting in the place thereof the word "Saturday," and again passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Papers from the House.

Bills

City councils.

Relative to the eligibility to office of members of city councils (on the petition of the mayor of Lynn) ;

To incorporate the Cohasset Water Company (on the petition of Waldo Higginson and others); Cohasset Water Company.

To amend an act to supply the city of Brockton with pure water (on the petition of John J. Whipple, mayor of said city); Brockton.

Authorizing the widening of Central Street in East Bridgewater, by taking a portion of the Old Graveyard, so called, and for other purposes (on the petition of Henry Hobart and others); East Bridgewater.

Authorizing the Massachusetts Home Missionary Society to hold additional personal property (on the petition of the same); Mass. Home Missionary Society.

To authorize the city of Brockton to effect an additional water loan (on the petition of John J. Whipple, mayor of said city), were severally read and ordered to a second reading. Brockton.

Reports, that it is inexpedient to legislate, Reports

Of the committee on Agriculture, on an order relative to establishing a standard measure for milk cans;

Of the committee on Education, on an order relative to extending the time of compulsory attendance of children upon the public schools to fifteen years of age;

Of the committee on Public Service, on an order relative to exempting laborers in cities from the provisions of the Civil Service Act; and a

Report (reference to the next General Court), of the committee on Insurance, on an order relative to changing the form of the Massachusetts standard policy so that refined petroleum, kerosene or coal oil may be used for certain domestic purposes; and

Reports (granting leave to withdraw),

Of the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, on the petition of Charles E. Wiggin and others for the establishment of a State foundling hospital; and

Of the committee on Water Supply, on the petition of the Sharon Water Company for legislation relative to supplying the towns of Sharon, Stoughton and Canton with water by said company, and for an increase of its capital stock, were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow.

A resolve providing for the printing of extra copies of the report of the Commissioners of the State Topographical Survey for the year 1885 (on an order relative to the subject) was read and referred to the committee on the Treasury. Topographical Survey.

Telephone
rates.

Petitions of

Burditt & Williams and others of Boston; and

The Globe Gas Light Company and others of Boston, severally that telephone rates may be regulated by law, etc., came up referred to the committee on Taxation, and the Senate non-concurred in the reference and referred the same to the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Bennington

The Senate resolve in aid of the erection of a monument in commemoration of the Battle of Bennington came up passed to be engrossed in concurrence, with the following amendment: After the word "Commonwealth" in the second line of the resolve insert the words, "in aid of the erection of a monument in commemoration of the battle of Bennington," and the Senate concurred therein.

Bills Enacted and Resolve Passed.

Bills enacted
and to Gov-
ernor.

The following engrossed bills (the first three of which originated in the Senate) passed to be enacted, to wit:

To establish the board of trustees of public burial grounds of the city of Fitchburg.

Authorizing the county commissioners of Middlesex County to cause to be made copies of certain records and plans in the registry of deeds for the southern district.

To establish a State board of health.

Authorizing the Boston Marine Insurance Company to extend its business.

Relating to sidewalks, crosswalks, common sewers and main drains in the fire district of the town of Pittsfield.

To authorize the city of Northampton to renew a portion of its water bonds.

Resolve passed.

An engrossed resolve in favor of Lawrence N. Duchesney (which originated in the Senate), passed, and with the above-named bills was laid before the Governor for his approval.

I. N. Lewis et
als.

On motion of Mr. Howland, the report of the committee on Fisheries and Game, on the petition of I. N. Lewis and others for legislation to prohibit the setting of pounds, traps or nets in the waters adjoining the north shores of Buzzard's Bay until after the tenth day of May in each year was taken from the table.

The same Senator moved to substitute a bill therefor and the report was passed over and the bill ordered to be printed.

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

The resolve to amend the Constitution relative to the qualification of voters for governor, lieutenant-governor, senators and representatives; and the

Bills

Bills.

To incorporate the Real Estate Improvement Company of Haverhill, in the county of Essex; and

To change the name of the corporation of "The Trustees of the Newton Theological Institution" were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The bill to repeal section seven of chapter three hundred and forty-five of the Acts of the year eighteen hundred and eighty-five, relating to naturalization, was further considered, and the question on ordering the bill to a third reading was determined as follows, to wit:—

YEAS.—Messrs. Alger,	Cogswell,	Douglas,
Howard,	Howland,	Jones, F. W.,
Kendricken,	Locke,	McGahey,
Naphen,	Phillips. — 11.	

NAYS.—Messrs. Boynton,	Dunbar,	Emerson,
Forbes,	Gleason,	Gould,
Gove,	Harlow,	Jefferson,
Jefts,	Joslin,	Milliken,
Morrill,	Morse,	Norris,
Nourse,	Scott,	Tappan,
Wilbur. — 19.		

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Bigelow,	Hayes,	Jones, E. D. G.,]
Joyner,	Reed. — 5.	

PAIRED.—Mr. Murphy (yea) with Mr. Walker (nay). Mr. Lilley (yea) with Mr. Gunn (nay). — 4.

So the bill was refused a third reading.

The motion to reconsider the vote by which the Senate refused to order to a third reading the bill relating to the opening of polls on election days, being considered, the question was taken by yeas and nays, as follows, to wit:—

Polls, opening of.

JOURNAL OF THE SENATE,

YEAS. — Messrs. Alger,
Dunbar,
Gove,
Joslin,
McGahey,
Naphen,
Cogswell,
Forbes,
Howard,
Kendricken,
Morse,
Phillips,
Douglas,
Gleason,
Jones, F. W.,
Locke,
Murphy,
Scott. — 18.

NAYS. — Messrs. Boynton,
Harlow,
Milliken,
Tappan,
Emerson,
Jefferson,
Morrill,
Wilbur. — 11.
Gould,
Jefts,
Nourse.

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Bigelow,
Jones, E. D. G.,
Reed,
Hayes,
Joyner,
Walker. — 8.
Howland,
Norris,

PAIRED. — Mr. Lilley (yea) with Mr. Gunn (nay). — 2.

And the motion having been carried in the affirmative, the bill was amended on motion of Mr. Dunbar, and ordered to a third reading.

Suffolk County
Court House.

The House report of the committee on Cities, on an order relative to placing the erection of the Suffolk County Court House in the hands of the mayor of Boston, and the regular departments, like other city work, was accepted in concurrence.

Plainville Water
Company.

The bill to incorporate the Plainville Water Company was read a third time and amended as proposed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence with the amendment, which was sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Thomas J. Can-
non et als.

The House resolve in favor of Geo. H. Cannon, Thomas J. Cannon, Josiah Robinson, Benjamin F. Robinson, John Gillespie, Farnham Gillespie and Francis Jenkins, was read a third time and rejected.

Manufacturing
establishments.

The House bill relating to providing means of communication between rooms in manufacturing establishments where machinery is propelled by steam and the room where the engineer is stationed, was recommitted to the committee on Labor, with instructions to give a public hearing after due notice.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The Senate bill relating to the salaries of certain court officers in the county of Suffolk, was read a third time, amended, on motion of Mr. Murphy, and passed to be engrossed.

Court officers in
Suffolk County.

The Senate bill relative to the returns to be made to the Commissioners of Corporations by the New England Conservatory of Music, was read a third time, and passed to be engrossed.

New England
Conservatory of
Music.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The Senate bill to confirm the proceedings of the Third Congregational Society in Cambridge and to authorize said society to convey to the Trustees of Donations to the Protestant Episcopal Church certain real estate, was read a third time, and passed to be engrossed.

Third Congre-
gational Society
in Cambridge.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The House resolves

In favor of James H. Willey; and

In favor of Sophie S. Coffin, were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

James H.
Willey.
Sophie S. Coffin.

The House report of the committee on Public Service, on the petition of John Rogers and E. Dewing Foss, constables in the municipal court of the South Boston District, for increase of salary, was laid on the table.

John Rogers et
al.

The report of the committee on Public Service, on the petition of Alvin I. Phillips, constable of the municipal court of the Dorchester District of the city of Boston, for an increase of salary, was passed over.

Alvin I. Phillips.

The House reports

Reports.

Of the committee on Education, on an order relative to providing that children under the age of eighteen years who have not graduated from a grammar school be compelled to attend an evening school;

Of the committee on the Liquor Law, on an order relative to requiring the board of police of the city of Boston to issue licenses to persons of good moral character when there is no legal objection thereto;

On an order relative to the better enforcement by local authorities of the laws relating to the sale of intoxicating liquors;

On an order relative to granting only one license to each five hundred inhabitants, in such cities and towns as vote to grant licenses for the sale of intoxicating liquors ; and

On an order relative to further legislation concerning the transfer of licenses ;

Of the committee on Printing, on an order relative to reprinting the Adjutant General's reports for the years 1861 to 1865, inclusive, the same to be sold at cost, and petitions relative to the same ;

Of the committee on Public Service, on an order relative to fixing the salaries of the extra clerks in the various State departments at \$1,300 per year ;

Of the committee on Railroads, on the petition of Joel Proctor and others, that the time granted the Lancaster Railroad to build its road be reduced two years ; and

Of the committee on Towns, on the petition of J. W. Page and others, that a part of Melrose may be annexed to the city of Malden ;

Of said committee on the petition of John W. Tuttle and others of Watertown, that the portion of Watertown on the south side of Charles River may be annexed to Newton ; and

Of the same committee on the petition of F. C. Pope, C. A. Richards and others, for the annexation of Atlantic, Squantum and Moon Island to Boston, were severally accepted, in concurrence.

WEDNESDAY, March 24, 1886.

Met according to adjournment.

County Commissioners.

Mr. Alger, from the committee on Public Service, on the order relative to providing for the payment of mileage and actual expenses of county commissioners in certain cases, reported that it is inexpedient to legislate thereon.

Plymouth.

Mr. Forbes, from the committee on Education, on the petition of the selectmen and school committee of the town of Plymouth for compensation for the loss of its share of the school fund ; and

Mr. Nourse, from the committee on Public Service, on Bristol County. the petition of Alanson Borden and others, that the clerk of the courts for Bristol County may retain \$2,500 as his annual salary out of the fees for which he is to account, reported that the petitioners have leave to withdraw, and these reports were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow.

Petitions were presented and referred as follows : —

By Mr. Gould, a petition of Moses Richardson and Moses Richardson et als. others, that the name of the First Parish in Medway be changed to Parish of the Church of Christ, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule, to the committee on Parishes and Religious Societies.

By Mr. Norris, a petition of George Foster and others Caleb Childs et als. in aid of the petition of Caleb Childs and others for the incorporation of parts of Marblehead and Swampscott as a separate town ;

To the committee on Towns.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

By Mr. Morse, petitions of
The Massachusetts Woman's Christian Temperance Union ;

The teachers of the Bowdoin School of Boston ; Seduction.
The Moral Educational Association of Massachusetts ;
Rev. Alexander McKenzie and 50 others ;
The New England Moral Reform Society ;
Charles C. Barry and 19 others ;
George D. Townsend and others ;
National Woman Suffrage Association ;
The Woman's Educational and Industrial Union ;
The Boston Young Women's Christian Association ; and
Rev. Benj. H. Paddock and others, for additional legislation to punish the crime of seduction and to raise the age of consent, etc. ;

Severally to the committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. Morrill, from the committee on the Treasury, on State Topographical Survey. the House resolve providing for the printing of extra copies of the report of the Commissioners of the State Topographical Survey for the year 1885, reported that the same ought to pass, and it was ordered to a second reading.

*Papers from the House.***Bills.****Bills**

To establish the salary of the clerk of the municipal court of the Dorchester District of the city of Boston (on the petition of N. Thomas Merritt); and

To establish the salary of the justice of the second district court of Eastern Middlesex (on the petition of the same), were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Resolves.**Resolves**

In favor of Mary McGrath (on the petition of F. C. Stearns and others);

In favor of Samuel Hillman (on the petition of the same); and

Granting county taxes, were severally read and referred to the committee on the Treasury.

Railroads.

A report of the committee on Railroads, on an order relative to facilitating the transportation of freight on railroads on the Lord's Day, and a petition relative to the same subject, that no legislation is necessary, for the reason that the object desired to be accomplished by the order is secured under the fifteenth section of chapter ninety-eight of the Public Statutes, was read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow.

The following papers were severally referred in concurrence:—

School Teachers.

A petition of Q. E. Dickerman and others for legislation to empower school committees of cities to elect teachers to serve during the pleasure of said committees and their successors;

To the committee on Education.

Petitions of

Newton E. Heath and others of Curtisville;

The Hopewell Mills and others of Taunton; and

Telephone rates.

George Steele and 185 others, that telephone rates may be limited by law;

Severally to the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

Haverhill and Bradford.

A petition of R. E. Griffin and others for such legislation as may be required relative to the construction of a

foot-walk on the railroad bridge between Haverhill and Bradford;

To the committee on Roads and Bridges.

Remonstrances of

Philo S. Shelton and 22 others;

Reuben Alley and 21 others; and

Robert C. Briggs and 20 others, severally against the division of Marblehead and Swampscott;

Marblehead and
Swampscott.

To the committee on Towns.

A petition of the Water Commissioners of the town of Norwood. Norwood, that said town be authorized to issue additional bonds, notes or scrip, to complete its water works; under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule

To the committee on Water Supply.

The following order was referred to the next General Court under the 12th Joint Rule:—

Ordered, That the committee on Public Service consider the expediency of increasing the salary of the Chief of the Bureau of Statistics of Labor.

Bureau of
Statistics of
Labor.

On motion of Mr. Nourse, the vote by which the Senate yesterday passed to be engrossed the bill relating to the salaries of certain court officers in the county of Suffolk was reconsidered. The same Senator then moved to reconsider the vote by which the bill was amended by striking out the word "fourteen" and inserting the word "fifteen" in the place thereof, and the motion was carried in the negative and the bill again passed to be engrossed.

Suffolk County.

Sent down for concurrence.

The motion to reconsider the vote by which the Senate refused to suspend the 12th Joint Rule to admit the House bill to require a brand upon all goods, wares, merchandise or other article made for sale by convict labor in any penitentiary, reformatory prison, school or other establishment in which convict labor is employed, was taken from the table and the motion was carried in the affirmative. The question then recurring on the suspension of the 12th Joint Rule, it was determined as follows, to wit:—

Convict labor.

JOURNAL OF THE SENATE,

YEAS. — Messrs.	Alger,	Bigelow,	Cogswell,
	Douglas,	Dunbar,	Emerson,
	Forbes,	Gleason,	Gould,
	Gove,	Howard,	Howland,
	Jefts,	Jones, E. D. G.,	Jones, F. W.,
	Joslin,	Kendricken,	Locke,
	McGahey,	Milliken,	Morse,
	Murphy,	Naphen,	Norris,
	Reed,	Scott,	Walker. — 27.
NAYS. — Messrs.	Boynton,	Harlow,	Jefferson,
	Lilley,	Morrill,	Nourse,
	Wilbur. — 7.		

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Gunn,	Hayes,	Joyner,
Phillips,	Tappan. — 5.	

And the Senate refused to suspend the rule four-fifths of the members present and voting not having voted in the affirmative, and the bill was accordingly referred to the next General Court.

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

I. N. Lewis
et alia.

The House report of the committee on Fisheries and Game, on the petition of I. N. Lewis and others for legislation to prohibit the setting of pounds, traps or nets in the waters adjoining the north shores of Buzzard's Bay until after the tenth day of May in each year, was further considered.

The substitute proposed by Mr. Howland, viz., Bill for the protection of the alewife fishery in Mattapoisett River, was adopted. Read and ordered to a second reading.

The reports

Alvin I. Phillips.

Of the committee on Public Service, on the petition of Alvin I. Phillips, constable of the municipal court of the Dorchester District of the city of Boston, for an increase of salary; and

Sharon Water
Company.

Of the committee on Water Supply, on the petition of the Sharon Water Company for legislation relative to supplying the towns of Sharon, Stoughton and Canton with water by said company, and for an increase of its capital stock, were severally laid on the table.

Statutes.

The bill in relation to the time at which statutes shall take effect was laid on the table.

The bills

Bills.

To repeal a part of the second section of the act to

incorporate certain persons by the name of the Massachusetts General Hospital; Bull.

To establish the salary of the county treasurer of Worcester County;

To establish the salary of the county treasurer of Essex County;

To change a portion of the line of the sea-wall of the public park in the city of Boston known as the Charles River Embankment;

In relation to the Charles River Embankment Company;

To authorize the Greylock Park Association to increase its capital stock, and for other purposes;

Relating to clerical assistance in the office of the register of probate and insolvency in Essex County;

To exempt the wages of seamen from attachment by the trustee process;

Relative to the eligibility to office of members of city councils;

To incorporate the Cohasset Water Company;

To amend an act to supply the city of Brockton with pure water;

Authorizing the widening of Central Street in East Bridgewater, by taking a portion of the Old Graveyard, so called, and for other purposes;

Authorizing the Massachusetts Home Missionary Society to hold additional personal property; and

To authorize the city of Brockton to issue an additional water loan, were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading;

The bill authorizing actions of tort against street railway corporations for loss of life by negligence, was read a second time, amended as proposed by the committee on the Judiciary, and ordered to a third reading. Street Railway Corporations.

The resolve to amend the Constitution relative to the qualification of voters for governor, lieutenant-governor, senators and representatives was read a third time, and the question on agreeing to the same was taken by yeas and nays, as provided by the Constitution, as follows, to wit:— Constitution.

YEAS. — Messrs. Alger,	Bigelow,	Cogswell,
Douglas,	Emerson,	Forbes,
Howard,	Jones, E. D. G.,	Jones, F. W.,
Kendricken,	Lilley,	Locke,
McGahey,	Murphy,	Norris,
Phillips,	Reed,	Scott. — 18.

NAYS. — Messrs. Boynton, Jefferson, Milliken,	Gould, Jefts, Morse,	Harlow, Joslin, Nourse. — 9.
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ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Gleason, Morrill,	Gove, Naphen,	Joyner, Tappan. — 6.
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PAIRED. — Mr. Dunbar (yea) with Mr. Walker (nay). Mr. Hayes (yea) with Mr. Wilbur (nay). Mr. Howland (yea) with Mr. Gunn (nay). — 6.

So the resolve was agreed to, in concurrence, a majority of the Senators present and voting thereon, having voted in the affirmative.

The resolve and article of amendment are as follows, to wit: —

Resolved, By both Houses, That it is expedient to alter the Constitution of this Commonwealth by the adoption of the subjoined article of amendment; and that the said article, being agreed to by a majority of the Senators and two-thirds of the members of the House of Representatives present and voting thereon, be entered on the journals of both Houses, with the yeas and nays taken thereon, and referred to the General Court next to be chosen; and that the said article be published, to the end that if agreed to in the manner provided by the Constitution by the General Court next to be chosen, it may be submitted to the people for their approval and ratification, in order that it may become a part of the Constitution of the Commonwealth.

ARTICLE OF AMENDMENT.

So much of article three of the amendments of the Constitution of this Commonwealth as is contained in the following words: "And who shall have paid, by himself, or his parent, master or guardian, any state or county tax, which shall, within two years next preceding such election, have been assessed upon him in any town or district of this Commonwealth; and also every citizen who shall be by law exempted from taxation, and who shall be in all other respects qualified as above mentioned," is hereby annulled.

Bills.

The House bills

To incorporate the Real Estate Improvement Company of Haverhill, in the county of Essex; and

To change the name of the corporation of "The Trustees of the Newton Theological Institution," were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

The House bill relating to the opening of polls on election days was read a third time, as heretofore amended and passed to be engrossed in concurrence with the amendment, which was sent down for concurrence. Polls.

The Senate reports

Of the committee on Harbors and Public Lands, on the petition of the Park Commissioners of the city of Boston for authority to fill certain flats and erect structures near Dorchester Point; and Reports.

Of the committee on Public Health, on the order relative to the sale of poisonous drugs, medicines and chemicals, rat poisons, pest poisons and like preparations, were severally accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The House reports

Of the committee on Agriculture, on an order relative to establishing a standard measure for milk cans;

Of the committee on Education, on an order relative to extending the time of compulsory attendance of children upon the public schools to fifteen years of age;

Of the committee on Insurance, on an order relative to changing the form of the Massachusetts Standard policy so that refined petroleum, kerosene or coal oil may be used for certain domestic purposes;

Of the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, on the petition of Charles E. Wiggin and others for the establishment of a State foundling hospital; and

Of the committee on Water Supply, on the petition of the Sharon Water Co. for legislation relative to supplying the towns of Sharon, Stoughton and Canton with water by said company, and for an increase of its capital stock, were severally accepted in concurrence.

The report of the committee on Public Service, on an order relative to exempting laborers in cities from the provisions of the Civil Service Act, was considered.

Mr. Murphy moved to substitute a bill, and the report was passed over and the bill ordered to be printed.

THURSDAY, March 25, 1886.

Met according to adjournment.

Holyoke.

Mr. Alger, from the committee on Public Service, on an order in relation to the subject, reported a bill to establish the salary of the standing justice of the police court of Holyoke; and

Overseers of the Poor.

Mr. Milliken, from the committee on Woman Suffrage, on an order in relation to the subject, reported a bill concerning eligibility for the office of the Overseers of the Poor, and these bills were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Resolves.

Mr. Morrill, from the committee on the Treasury, on the House resolve granting county taxes; and

Mr. Douglas, from the same committee, on the House Resolves

In favor of Mary McGrath; and

In favor of Samuel Hillman, severally reported that these resolves ought to pass, and they were ordered to a second reading.

Reports.

Mr. Milliken, from the committee on Street Railways, on the order relative to transferring the jurisdiction over street railways in the city of Boston from the board of aldermen to the board of railroad commissioners; and

On the order relative to legislation for the construction, maintenance and operation of elevated railroads in and between the cities and towns of the Commonwealth, reported that it is inexpedient to legislate thereon; also

That no legislation is necessary, on so much of the report of the board of police commissioners of the city of Boston as relates to the regulation of street cars, and these reports were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow.

Telephone Rates.

Petitions were presented and referred as follows:—

By Mr. Norris, a petition of E. S. Ellis and others;

By Mr. Tappan, a petition of L. E. Nickerson and others;

By Mr. Lilley, a petition of the Lowell Felting Mills;

By Mr. Boynton, a petition of W. D. Barrett and others;

By Mr. Howard, petitions of the Globe Yarn Mills and others, and Samuel B. Morris & Co. and others ;

By Mr. Phillips, a petition of F. W. Dickinson and others ;

By Mr. Gove, a petition of the Goodyear and MacKay Sewing Machine Company and others ;

By Mr. Wilbur, a petition of the Robinson Boiler Works and others, severally that telephone rates be limited by law ;

To the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

By Mr. Morse, petitions of Charles R. Whitcomb, M. D. ; and

The Malden Women's Club and others, for additional legislation to punish the crime of seduction and to raise the age of consent ;

Seduction.

To the committee on the Judiciary.

Orders Adopted.

On motion of Mr. Lilley, —

Ordered, That so much of the Governor's Address as relates to national bank taxes be referred to the joint standing committee on Taxation.

National Bank Taxes.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Mr. Gove presented a petition of Moses P. Brown, constable of the East Boston District Court, for an increase of his salary, and the Senate refused to suspend the 12th Joint Rule, and the same was referred to the next General Court under the said rule.

Moses P. Brown.

Papers from the House.

Bills

To provide accommodations for Registries of Deeds and Probate in connection with the new court house for the county of Suffolk, and to take additional land for the purpose ; and

Bills.

To authorize railroad corporations to join certain relief societies (on so much of the Governor Address as relates to railroad relief and pension funds), were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Catherine
Mullins.

A resolve in favor of Catherine Mullins, on the petition of the same, was read and referred to the committee on the Treasury.

Reports.

Reports, that it is inexpedient to legislate,

Of the committee on the Liquor Law, on an order relative to repealing the law providing for the charges of licenses for the sale of intoxicating liquors in the city of Boston, and providing for the charges therefor being made by the aldermen of said city ; and

Of the committee on Public Health, on an order relative to the stabling and care of cows whose milk is intended for sale ; and

Reports, granting leave to withdraw,

Of the committee on Public Service, on the petition of Samuel Utley, judge of the Central District Court of Worcester, for increase of salary ; and

On the petition of William A. Fort, constable of the Probate Court for the county of Suffolk, for an increase of salary, were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow.

Marblehead and
Swampscott.

The following papers were severally referred in concurrence : —

Remonstrances of

R. B. Jordan and 507 others ;

John F. Harris and 1,616 others ; and

C. H. Haley and 68 others, severally against the division of Marblehead and Swampscott.

The following House order was adopted in concurrence : —

New York &
New England
R. R. Co's mort-
gage bonds.

Ordered, That the committee on Claims be authorized to cause to be printed the stenographic report made and to be made of the hearings before that committee on the claims of Cyrus W. Field and others, and in relation to the sale of the bonds of the New York & New England Railroad Company by the State.

Bills Enacted.

The following engrossed bills (the first of which originated in the Senate) passed to be enacted, and were laid before the Governor for his approval, to wit : —

Bills enacted
and to Gov-
ernor.

To amend the charter of the Temporary Asylum for Discharged Female Prisoners.

Relating to sidewalks, crosswalks, common sewers and main drains in the fire district of the town of Pittsfield.

Relating to the revision of the ward boundaries, and the appointment of members of the common council, in the city of Cambridge.

On motion of Mr. Gleason, the vote by which the Senate refused to suspend the 12th Joint Rule to admit the House order that the committee on Public Service consider the expediency of increasing the salary of the Chief of the Bureau of Statistics of Labor, was reconsidered, and the order adopted in concurrence under the suspension of the said rule.

Chief of Bureau
of Statistics of
Labor.

The Senate Bill to give selectmen of towns the power to remove engineers of fire departments was taken from the table, the question being on concurring with the House in certain amendments; and the Senate concurred therein.

Engineers of
Fire Depart-
ments.

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

The bill to amend section 12 of chapter 100 of the Public Statutes relating to licenses issued to common victuallers was read a third time. Mr. Joyner moved to amend by striking out from line 12 of section 1 the words, "if the licensee is a common victualler," and the question thereon was determined as follows, to wit:—

Intoxicating
Liquors.

YEAS.—Messrs. Alger,	Cogswell,	Douglas,
Gove,	Hayes,	Howard,
Jefferson,	Jones, F. W.,	Joyner,
Kendricken,	Locke,	McGahey,
Milliken,	Murphy.—14.	

NAYS.—Messrs. Boynton,	Dunbar,	Forbes,
Gleason,	Gould,	Howland,
Jetts,	Joslin,	Lilley,
Morrill,	Morse,	Norris,
Nourse,	Phillips,	Reed,
Scott,	Walker,	Wilbur.—18.

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Bigelow,	Emerson,	Gunn,
Harlow,	Jones, E. D. G.,	Naphen,
Tappan.—7.		

The question then recurring on the engrossment of the bill, the same was taken by yeas and nays, as follows, to wit:—

JOURNAL OF THE SENATE,

YEAS. — Messrs. Boynton, Gleason, Jefts, Nourse, Walker,	Dunbar, Gould, Joslin, Reed, Wilbur. — 14.	Forbes, Howland, Norris, Scott,
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NAYS. — Messrs. Alger, Gove, Jefferson, Kendricken, Milliken, Phillips. — 16.	Cogswell, Hayes, Jones, F. W., Locke, Morriell,	Douglas, Howard, Joyner, McGahey, Murphy,
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ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Bigelow, Jones, E. D. G.,	Emerson, Tappan. — 5.	Gunn,
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PAIRED. — Mr. Harlow (yea) with Mr Lilley (nay). Mr. Morse (yea) with Mr. Naphen (nay). — 4.

And the bill was rejected.

Subsequently, Mr. Morse moved a reconsideration of the above vote and the motion was placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow.

Civil Service.

The House report of the committee on Public Service, on an order relative to exempting laborers in cities from the provisions of the Civil Service Act, was considered; the motion to substitute a bill was carried in the negative, and the report accepted, in concurrence.

The bills

Bills.

To establish the salary of the clerk of the Municipal Court of the Dorchester District of the city of Boston;

To establish the salary of the justice of the Second District Court of Eastern Middlesex; and the

Resolve.

Resolve providing for the printing of extra copies of the report of the Commissioners of the State Topographical Survey for the year 1885, were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Mattapoissett
River.

The bill for the protection of the alewife fishery in Mattapoissett River, was read a second time, and without action thereon, was passed over.

Massachusetts
General Hos-
pital.

The bill to repeal a part of the second section of the act to incorporate certain persons by the name of the Massachusetts General Hospital, was read a third time, and the same having been reported in a new draft by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading without substan-

tial change, entitled, a Bill to amend the charter of the Massachusetts General Hospital, the same passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The Senate bill to establish the salary of the county treasurer of Worcester County, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Worcester County.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The Senate bill to establish the salary of the county treasurer of Essex County, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Essex County.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The Senate bill to change a portion of the line of the sea-wall of the public park in the city of Boston known as the Charles River Embankment, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Boston public park.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The Senate bill in relation to the Charles River Embankment Company, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Charles River embankment.

Sent down for concurrence.

The Senate bill to authorize the Greylock Park Association to increase its capital stock, and for other purposes, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Greylock Park Association.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The bill authorizing actions of tort against street railway corporations for loss of life by negligence, was read a third time as heretofore amended and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence with the amendment, which was sent down for concurrence.

Street Railway corporations.

Came up concurred.

The House bills

Relating to clerical assistance in the office of the register of probate and insolvency in Essex County ;

Bills.

Relative to the eligibility to office of members of city councils ;

To amend an act to supply the city of Brockton with pure water ;

Authorizing the widening of Central Street in East Bridgewater, by taking a portion of the Old Graveyard, so called, and for other purposes ;

Authorizing the Massachusetts Home Missionary Society to hold additional personal property ; and

To authorize the city of Brockton to issue an additional water loan, were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Senate reports

Reports.

Of the committee on Education, on the petition of the selectmen and school committee of the town of Plymouth for compensation for the loss of its share of the school fund ; and

Of the committee on Public Service, on the petition of Alanson Borden and others, that the clerk of the courts for Bristol County may retain \$2,500 as his annual salary out of the fees for which he is to account, were severally accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Railroads.

The House report of the committee on Railroads, on an order relative to facilitating the transportation of freight on railroads on the Lord's Day, and a petition relative to the same subject, for the reason that the object desired to be accomplished by the order is secured under the fifteenth section of chapter ninety-eight of the Public Statutes, was accepted in concurrence.

Adjourned.

FRIDAY, March 26, 1886.

Met according to adjournment.

Evening High
Schools.

Mr. Harlow, from the committee on Education, on the orders relative to the establishment by cities of evening high schools ;

Relative to evening high schools in the city of Boston and other cities ; and

Relative to the establishment and maintenance of the Boston evening high school in the city of Boston, reported

A bill for the establishment of evening high schools in certain cities, and the same was read and ordered to a second reading.

Mr. Milliken, from the committee on Harbors and Public Lands, on the bill concerning the harbor master for the port of Boston, reported that the same be referred to the next General Court, and the report was read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow. Boston.

Mr. Gould, from the committee on Military Affairs, on the report of the Adjutant General, reported Soldiers' Messenger Corps.

A resolve in favor of the Soldiers' Messenger Corps, and the same was read and referred to the committee on the Treasury.

The President laid before the Senate the annual report of the Commissioners of Prisons on the county prisons, and the same was referred to the committee on Prisons. County prisons.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Mr. Morrill presented petitions of James Parton and others and Rev. Alfred Noon and others, for additional legislation to punish the crime of seduction and to raise the age of consent; Seduction.

Referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Papers from the House.

A bill to establish the salaries of the constables of the municipal courts of the Brighton and West Roxbury districts of the city of Boston (on the petition of Henry P. Kennedy and Charles P. Johnson), was read and ordered to a second reading. Brighton and West Roxbury Municipal Courts.

Reports, granting leave to withdraw,

Of the committee on Agriculture, on the petition of Francis L. Capen for an appropriation for the Cosmopolitan Meteorological Society; Reports.

Of the committee on Fisheries and Game, on the petition of James K. Nickerson and others for a repeal of the law in relation to the catching of bluefish in the State waters opposite the towns of Harwich, Dennis and Yarmouth; and

A report of the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, that no legislation is necessary on the report of the trustees of the Perkins Institution and Massachusetts School for the Blind, were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow.

Cottage City
Gas Company.

A report of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of so much of the petition of the Cottage City Gas Company for an amendment of its charter authorizing it to furnish electric lights, electric power and water to the inhabitants of Cottage City as relates to furnishing water to the inhabitants of Cottage City, and that the same be referred to the committee on Water Supply, was accepted in concurrence.

The following papers were severally referred in concurrence : —

Bass and blue
fish.

A petition of the Martha's Vineyard Camp Meeting Association in aid of the petition of Samuel Osborn, Jr., and others for the repeal of the law relating to the seining of striped bass and bluefish in the waters of Edgartown and Cottage City ;

To the committee on Fisheries and Game.

Telephone
Rates.

Petitions of

Otis Fernald and others of Haverhill ;

Hinsdale Brothers and others of Hinsdale ;

W. B. Leonard and others of Great Barrington ;

Thomas Butler & Co. and others of Boston ;

G. Baker & Co. and others of Jamaica Plain ;

John F. Wonson & Co. and others of Gloucester ;

J. M. Waterman and others of Williamstown ;

Charles E. Bostwick and others of West Stockbridge ;

G. H. Hills & Co. and others of Somerville ;

L. A. Flagg and others of Bridgewater ;

Charles O. Brown and others of Dalton ;

The Drivers' Union Ice Company and others of Charlestown ;

Witherby, Rugg & Richardson and others of Worcester ;

The Excelsior Paper Company and others of Holyoke ;

E. L. Barney and others of New Bedford ;

N. P. Hayes and others of New Bedford ;

The Carew Manufacturing Company and others of South Hadley Falls ;

S. Allen Brownell and others ;

Pardon Cornell & Co. and others of New Bedford ;

Harvard Brick Company and others of Cambridge ;

The Fall River Daily Herald Company and others ;

John W. Hutchinson and others of Lynn ;

Page & Hamden and others of Haverhill ; and

George E. Rogers and others of Greenfield, severally that telephone rates may be limited by law ;

To the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

A petition of the County Commissioners of Hampshire County for legislation relative to building and furnishing a new court house for Hampshire County came up referred to the House committee on the Judiciary under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule, and the Senate concurred in the suspension of the said rule, and the petition was returned to the House.

Hampshire
County.

Bills Enacted and Resolves Passed.

The following engrossed bills (the first of which originated in the Senate) passed to be enacted, to wit :—

Bills enacted
and to Gov-
ernor.

To enable the quartermaster-general to require annual returns of loans of State military property, and to adjust all accounts relating to the same.

To fix the salary of the clerk of the District Court of Hampshire.

To extend the time for constructing the New York and Boston Inland Railroad.

An engrossed resolve in favor of Philomena E. Nolan (which originated in the House) passed, and, with the above-named bills, was laid before the Governor for his approval.

Resolve passed,
etc.

The following order was read and laid over on the objection of Mr. Jefferson :—

Ordered, That the committee on Prisons consider the expediency of legislation in relation to the manufacture and sale of convict-made goods.

Convict-made
goods.

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

The motion to reconsider the vote by which the Senate rejected the bill to amend section 12 of chapter 100 of the Public Statutes relating to licenses issued to common victuallers was taken up, and the question thereon was determined as follows, to wit :—

Intoxicating
Liquors.

JOURNAL OF THE SENATE,

YEAS. — Messrs. Bigelow, Forbes, Howland, Morse, Pillsbury,	Boynton, Gould, Jefts, Norris, Reed. — 14.	Dunbar, Harlow, Joslin, Nourse,
NAYS. — Messrs. Alger, Hayes, Jones, F. W., McGahey, Wilbur. — 13.	Cogswell, Howard, Joyner, Murphy,	Douglas, Jefferson, Kendricken, Phillips,

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Morrill, Scott, Walker. — 3.

PAIRED. — Mr. Gunn (yea) with Mr. Milliken (nay). Mr. Emerson (yea) with Mr. Gove (nay). Mr. Jones, E. D. G. (yea) with Mr. Lilley (nay). Mr. Tappan (yea) with Mr. Naphen (nay). Mr. Gleason (yea) with Mr. Locke (nay). — 10.

And the question then recurring on passing the bill to be engrossed, Mr. Forbes moved to amend the same, pending the consideration of which Mr. Lilley moved to lay the bill on the table and the question thereon was determined as follows, to wit : —

YEAS. — Messrs. Bigelow, Forbes, Jefferson, Lilley, Reed,	Boynton, Harlow, Jefts, Morse, Scott,	Dunbar, Howland, Joslin, Nourse, Wilbur. — 15.
NAYS. — Messrs. Alger, Hayes, Joyner, McGahey, Norris. — 13.	Cogswell, Howard, Kendricken, Murphy,	Douglas, Jones, F. W., Locke, Naphen,

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Jones, E. D. G., Gleason, Morrill,
Tappan, Walker. — 5.

PAIRED. — Mr. Gould (yea) with Mr. Phillips (nay). Mr. Gunn (yea) with Mr. Milliken (nay). Mr. Emerson (yea) with Mr. Gove (nay). — 6.

And the bill was laid on the table. Subsequently the same was taken from the table, amended on motion of Mr. Forbes, and the question then recurring on passing the bill to be engrossed, it was determined as follows, to wit : —

YEAS.—Messrs. Bigelow, Harlow, Jefts, Norris, Scott. — 13.	Boynton, Howland, Joslin, Nourse,	Forbes, Jefferson, Morse, Reed,
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NAYS.—Messrs. Alger, Hayes, Kendricken, Wilbur. — 10.	Cogswell, Howard, McGahey,	Douglas, Jones, F. W., Murphy,
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ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Morrill,	Walker. — 2.
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PAIRED.—Mr. Jones, E. D. G. (yea) with Mr. Lilley (nay). Mr. Emerson (yea) with Mr. Gove (nay). Mr. Gould (yea) with Mr. Phillips (nay). Mr. Tappan (yea) with Mr. Naphen (nay). Mr. Gleason (yea) with Mr. Locke (nay). Mr. Dunbar (yea) with Mr. Joyner (nay). Mr. Gunn (yea) with Mr. Milliken (nay). — 14.

So the bill passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

The bill for the protection of the alewife fishery in Mattapoisett River was further considered and refused a third reading. Alewife fishery.

The bill to exempt the wages of seamen from attachment by the trustee process was read a third time, and the same being reported in a new draft by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, entitled a bill to exempt the wages and lay of seamen from attachment by the trustee process, it was substituted, read and ordered to a second reading. Seamen.

Bills

To establish the salary of the standing justice of the police court of Holyoke; Bills.

Concerning eligibility for the office of the overseers of the poor;

To provide accommodations for Registries of Deeds and Probate in connection with the new court house for the county of Suffolk, and to take additional land for the purpose;

To authorize railroad corporations to join certain relief societies; and the

Resolves**Resolves.**

In favor of Mary McGrath ;

In favor of Samuel Hillman ; and

Granting county taxes, were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Bills.**The House bills**

To establish the salary of the clerk of the Municipal Court of the Dorchester District of the city of Boston ;

To establish the salary of the justice of the Second District Court of Eastern Middlesex ; and the

Resolve.

House resolve providing for the printing of extra copies of the report of the Commissioners of the State Topographical Survey for the year 1885, were severally read a third time, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Reports.**The Senate reports**

Of the committee on Street Railways, on the order relative to legislation for the construction, maintenance and operation of elevated railroads in and between the cities and towns of the Commonwealth ; and

On the order relative to transferring the jurisdiction over street railways in the city of Boston from the board of aldermen to the board of railroad commissioners, were severally laid on the table.

The Senate reports

Of the committee on Public Service, on the order relative to providing for the payment of mileage and actual expenses of county commissioners in certain cases ; and

Of the committee on Street Railways, on so much of the report of the board of police commissioners of the city of Boston as relates to the regulation of street cars, were severally accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The House reports

Of the committee on the Liquor Law, on an order relative to repealing the law providing for the charges of licenses for the sale of intoxicating liquors in the city of Boston, and providing for the charges therefor being made by the aldermen of said city ;

Of the committee on Public Health, on an order relative to the stabling and care of cows whose milk is intended for sale ;

Of the committee on Public Service, on the petition of Samuel Utley, judge of the Central District Court of Worcester, for increase of salary; and

On the petition of William A. Fort, constable of the probate court for the county of Suffolk, for an increase of salary, were severally accepted in concurrence.

Adjourned.

MONDAY, March 29, 1886.

Met according to adjournment.

Mr. Norris, from the committee on Railroads, on the order relative to directing the board of railroad commissioners to investigate the matter of payment of their employees by railroad corporations, reported that it is inexpedient to legislate thereon; and

Mr. Jefferson, from the same committee, on the petition of the city of Worcester for authority to remove tracks from Foster Street, reported that the petitioner have leave to withdraw, and these reports were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow.

Petitions, etc., were presented and referred as follows:

The Seventeenth Annual Report of the Bureau of Statistics of Labor, was laid before the Senate and referred to the committee on Labor.

By Mr. Lilley, a petition of the International Express Company and others, that telephone rates may be regulated by law;

To the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

By Mr. Morse, a petition of a committee of the town of Canton for the repeal of so much of chapter 177 of the Acts of the year 1883 as relates to the supplying of the town of Canton with water by the Sharon Water Company, with instructions to hear the petitioners, after such notice, to be given by the petitioners to all parties interested without expense to the Commonwealth, as the committee shall direct;

To the committee on Water Supply under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule.

Sent down for concurrence.

Seduction. By Mr. Morse, petitions of
 The Woman's Relief Corps;
 Charlotte A. Rollins and others;
 The National Woman Suffrage Association of Massachusetts;
 Rev. J. L. Scott and others;
 Rev. Stephen L. Baldwin and others;
 Rev. Thomas E. Babb and others;
 I. R. Miller and others; and
 George A. Phinney and others; and
 By Mr. Locke, petitions of
 George C. Stewart and others, and
 D. S. Coles and others, severally for additional legislation to punish the crime of seduction and to raise the age of consent;
 To the committee on the Judiciary.

C. H. Rockwell et als. Mr. Norris presented a petition of C. H. Rockwell and others of the town of Chatham for legislation authorizing said town to pledge its credit, within certain limits, to aid in building a railroad in that town, and the Senate refused to suspend the 12th Joint Rule, and the same was accordingly referred to the next General Court.

Papers from the House.

The following papers were severally referred in concurrence:—

Telephone Rates. Petitions of
 W. B. Gifford & Co. and others of Lynn;
 Knott V. Martin and others of Marblehead;
 Robert A. Reid and others of Newton; and
 A. H. Fuller and others of Brockton, severally that telephone rates may be limited by law;
 To the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

Marblehead and Swampscott. A remonstrance of William H. Brown and 10 others, owning real estate in the proposed new town, against the division of the towns of Marblehead and Swampscott;
 To the committee on Towns.

Lawrence. The Senate refused to suspend the 12th Joint Rule to admit the petition of the mayor of Lawrence for an amendment of the charter of said city so that the board of assessors shall consist of four members instead of three, and the same was referred to the next General Court under said rule.

The Senate bill for the protection of railroad employees came up, passed to be engrossed in concurrence with certain amendments, and the Senate concurred therein. Railroad employees.

The following engrossed bills (all of which originated in the Senate) passed to be enacted, to wit: — Bills enacted and to Governor.

To amend section eighteen of chapter thirty of the Public Statutes, in relation to the appointment of persons to investigate claims for reimbursement of State aid under said chapter.

Providing for the registration and licensing of plumbers in the city of Newton.

To provide for licensing conductors, drivers and despatchers of street railway cars in the city of Cambridge.

The following engrossed resolves (both of which originated in the House) passed, and with the above-named bills were laid before the Governor for his approval: — Resolves passed, etc.

In favor of James H. Willey.

In aid of the erection of a monument in commemoration of the battle of Bennington.

The House order laid over from Friday, that the committee on Prisons consider the expediency of legislation in relation to the manufacture and sale of convict-made goods, was taken up, the question being on the suspension of the 12th Joint Rule to admit the order, and the vote thereon was taken by yeas and nays, as follows, to wit: — Convict-made goods.

YEAS. — Messrs. Alger, Gove, Jones, E. D. G., McGahey, Naphen,	Bigelow, Howland, Kendricken, Milliken, Norris. — 14.	Douglas, Jefts, Locke, Murphy,
NAYS. — Messrs. Boynton, Forbes, Harlow, Morrill, Reed,	Cogswell, Gleason, Jefferson, Morse, Tappan,	Dunbar, Gould, Lilley, Nourse, Wilbur. — 15.

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Emerson, Howard, Joyner, Walker. — 10.	Gunn, Jones, F. W., Phillips,	Hayes, Joslin, Scott,
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And the order was accordingly referred to the next General Court.

Statutes.

The House bill in relation to the time at which statutes shall take effect was taken from the table, and in accordance with the report of the committee on the Judiciary, rejected.

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

Bills.

The House bills

To incorporate the Cohasset Water Company ;

To provide accommodations for Registries of Deeds and Probate in connection with the new court house for the county of Suffolk, and to take additional land for the purpose ;

To authorize railroad corporations to join certain relief societies ; and

Resolves.

The House resolves

In favor of Mary McGrath ;

In favor of Samuel Hillman ; and

Granting county taxes, were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Bills.

The bills

To exempt the wages and lay of seamen from attachment by the trustee process ;

For the establishment of evening high schools in certain cities ; and

To establish the salaries of the constables of the municipal courts of the Brighton and West Roxbury districts of the city of Boston, were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Holyoke.

The Senate bill to establish the salary of the standing justice of the police court of Holyoke, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Overseers of the Poor.

The Senate bill concerning eligibility for the office of the Overseer of the Poor, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Reports.

The House reports

Of the committee on Agriculture, on the petition of Francis L. Capen for an appropriation for the Cosmopolitan Meteorological Society ;

Of the committee on Fisheries and Game, on the petition of James K. Nickerson and others for a repeal of the law in relation to the catching of bluefish in the State waters opposite the towns of Harwich, Dennis and Yarmouth; and

Of the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, on the report of the trustees of the Perkins Institution and Massachusetts School for the Blind, were severally accepted in concurrence.

The Senate report of the committee on Harbors and Public Lands, on the bill concerning the Harbor Master for the port of Boston, was accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Adjourned.

TUESDAY, March 30, 1886.

Met according to adjournment.

Mr. Howard, from the committee on Labor, on the orders relative to diminishing the hours of labor for, and regulating the service of, females and minors in manufacturing, mechanical and mercantile establishments; and

Relative to limiting the hours of labor for females and minors in manufacturing, mechanical and mercantile establishments to fifty-six and one-half hours weekly, and several petitions in aid thereof, reported

A bill relating to the employment of minors under eighteen years of age and women in manufacturing and mechanical establishments.

Mr. Scott, from the committee on Water Supply, on the petition of the Wakefield Water Company, reported

A bill to authorize the Wakefield Water Company to issue bonds and secure the same by a mortgage on its franchise and other property.

Mr. Joslin, from the committee on Banks and Banking, on so much of the petition of the Worcester, Nashua & Rochester Railroad Company as relates to the subject, reported

A bill to authorize savings banks and institutions for savings to invest in bonds and notes of the Worcester, Nashua & Rochester Railroad Company, and these bills were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Naumkeag
Street Railway
Company.

Mr. Milliken, from the committee on Street Railways, on the bill to authorize the Naumkeag Street Railway Company to issue mortgage bonds; and

Catherine
Mullins.

Mr. Morrill, from the committee on the Treasury, on the House resolve in favor of Catherine Mullins; and

Soldiers'
Messenger
Corps.

Mr. Douglas, from the same committee, on the Senate resolve in favor of the Soldiers' Messenger Corps, severally reported that the bill and the resolves ought to pass, and they were ordered to a second reading.

Mr. Reed, from the committee on Probate and Insolvency, on the
House bills

Bills.

In relation to the fees for the services of appraisers and other persons appointed under legal process; and

In relation to the sale of real estate by executors and administrators at private sale, reported that these bills severally ought to pass, and they were ordered to a second reading.

F. W. Morandi.

Mr. Boynton, from the committee on Mercantile Affairs, on the petition of F. W. Morandi to allow one gas company to acquire the property and franchise of another, reported that the petitioner have leave to withdraw; and

Boards of
Health.

Mr. Emerson, from the committee on Public Health, on the order relative to authorizing boards of health to close vaults and cesspools in certain cases, reported that it is inexpedient to legislate thereon, and these reports were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow.

Telephone
Rates.

Petitions were presented and referred as follows:

By Mr. Alger, a petition of H. P. Walcott and others;

By Mr. Gunn, a petition of W. G. Potter and others;

By Mr. Howard, a petition of A. C. Albert & Co. and others; and

By Mr. Locke, a petition of George A. Morris and others, severally that telephone rates be limited by law;

To the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

By Mr. Morse, a petition of Rev. H. D. Ela and others Seduction.
for additional legislation to punish the crime of seduction ;
To the committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. Norris, from the committee on Engrossed Bills, to Protestant
Episcopal
and Reformed
Episcopal
Churches.
whom was recommitted the engrossed bill entitled " An
Act in relation to the Protestant Episcopal and Reformed
Episcopal Churches," reported " that, technically, the bill
is rightly and truly engrossed, but owing to certain ob-
scurities in the original draft of the same, its meaning is
not clear." The committee therefore recommend that the
bill be re-engrossed ; and the report was accepted, and the
bill was sent to the House for concurrence in the action of
the Senate thereon.

Papers from the House.

Bills

To authorize the Franklin Typographical Society to hold Bills.
additional real and personal estate (on the petition of the
same) ;

To extend the duration of the lien of assessments for
main drains or common sewers ;

To establish the salaries of the constables of the muni-
cipal court of the Charlestown district (on the petitions of
the same) ;

In addition to an act to supply the towns of Rockland,
Abington and South Abington with water (on the petition
of the town of South Abington) ; and

A resolve relating to the protection of brakemen on
freight trains (on orders relating to the subject), were
severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Reports

Of the committee on Agriculture, granting leave to Reports.
withdraw, on the petition of W. M. Davis and others for
more general distribution of the weather predictions issued
daily by the United States Signal Service ; and

Of the committee on Public Health, that it is inexpe-
dient to legislate, on an order relative to amending chap-
ter 150 of the Acts of the year 1885 relative to the adul-
teration of vinegar, were severally read and placed in the
Orders of the Day for to-morrow.

The following papers were severally referred in concur-
rence : —

Deaf-mute and
Blind.

A bill to provide for the care and instruction of children that are both deaf-mute and blind (under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule) ;

To the committee on Education.

Bluefish.

A remonstrance of George A. Smith and others against any law prohibiting the seining of bluefish in the State waters of Vineyard Sound ;

To the committee on Fisheries and Game.

Telephone
Rates.

Petitions of

P. Bartlett & Son and others ;

The Thorpe Manufacturing Company and others of Boston ; and

C. B. Scudder and others of Pittsfield, severally that telephone rates may be limited by law ;

To the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

Haverhill and
Bradford.

Petition of F. S. Hardy and others for an act authorizing the county commissioners of Essex County to construct a footway across the railroad bridge between Haverhill and Bradford ;

To the committee on Roads and Bridges.

Boston.

Remonstrance of Alexander Morrison and others of Andover against the taking of the waters of Shawsheen River by the city of Boston ;

To the committee on Water Supply.

Bills Enacted and Resolve Passed.

Bills enacted
and to Gov-
ernor.

The following engrossed bills (both of which originated in the House) passed to be enacted, to wit : —

To incorporate the Real Estate Improvement Company of Haverhill.

To change the name of the corporation of the trustees of the Newton Theological Institution.

Resolve passed,
etc.

An engrossed resolve in favor of Sophie S. Coffin (which originated in the House) passed, and, with the above-named bills, was laid before the Governor for his approval.

Lawrence.

On motion of Mr. Locke, the vote by which the Senate yesterday refused to suspend the 12th Joint Rule to admit the petition of the mayor of Lawrence for an amend-

ment of the charter of said city, so that the board of assessors shall consist of four members instead of three, was reconsidered, and the question again recurring on the suspension of the 12th Joint Rule, it was carried in the negative.

On motion of Mr. Norris, the vote of yesterday by which the Senate refused to suspend the 12th Joint Rule to admit a petition of C. H. Rockwell and others of the town of Chatham for legislation authorizing said town to pledge its credit, within certain limits, to aid in building a railroad in that town, was reconsidered, and the rule was suspended in concurrence, and the petition referred to the committee on Taxation.

C. H. Rockwell
et als.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The motion to reconsider the vote by which the Senate accepted the House report of the committee on Banks and Banking, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to investments by savings banks, was taken from the table and carried in the affirmative.

Savings Banks.

Mr. Hayes moved to substitute a bill for the report, and without further action on the subject it was passed over.

The bill to authorize the city of Boston to purchase the property of the Jamaica Pond Aqueduct Corporation, was taken from the table, amended, and ordered to a third reading.

Jamaica Pond
Aqueduct Cor-
poration.

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

The Senate bill to exempt the wages and lay of seamen from attachment by the trustee process, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Seamen, Trustee
Process.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The bill for the establishment of evening high schools in certain cities, was read a third time and ordered to be placed in the Orders of the Day for Tuesday next, April 6th.

Evening High
Schools.

The House bill to establish the salaries of the constables of the municipal courts of the Brighton and West Roxbury districts of the city of Boston, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed as taken into a new draft submitted by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, entitled a

Brighton and
West Roxbury.

bill to establish the salaries of the constables attending the municipal courts of the Brighton and West Roxbury districts of the city of Boston.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Railroads.

The Senate report of the committee on Railroads, on the order relative to directing the Board of Railroad Commissioners to investigate the matter of payment of their employees by railroad companies, was accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Worcester.

The report of the committee on Railroads, on the petition of the city of Worcester for authority to remove tracks from Foster Street, was recommitted to the committee on Railroads.

Adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, March 31, 1886.

Met according to adjournment.

Mr. Nourse, from the committee on Public Service, on the petition of W. H. Niles and others, reported

Lynn Police Court.

A bill to establish the salary of the justice of the Police Court of Lynn ;

Springfield Police Court.

Also (on an order relating to the subject) a bill to establish the salary of the clerk of the Police Court of Springfield ;

Southern Middlesex District Court.

Also (on the petition of the clerk of the first district court of Southern Middlesex), a bill to establish the salary of the clerk of the first district court of Southern Middlesex ;

Newton Police Court.

Also (on the petition of Edward W. Cate), a bill to establish the salary of the clerk of the police court of Newton, and these bills were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow.

Reports.

Mr. Nourse, from the committee on Public Service, on the petition of the judge of the police court of the city of Gloucester for an increase of salary, and on the petition of the constables of the municipal court of the Roxbury District of Boston for an increase in salaries, reported that the petitioners severally have leave to withdraw, and these reports were read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow.

Petitions, etc., were presented and referred as follows :—

By Mr. Scott, a remonstrance of Thomas B. Hosmer ^{Boston.} and others of Bedford, against the petition of the city of Boston to take the waters of the Shawsheen River ;

To the committee on Water Supply.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

By Mr. Morse, petitions of

M. Louise Foster and others, teachers of the public ^{Seduction.} schools of Malden, and Rev. Seth C. Cory and others of Winthrop ; and

By Mr. Joslin, petitions of A. S. Wright and others, and Charles N. Prouty and others, severally for additional legislation to punish the crime of seduction, and to raise the age of consent ;

To the committee on the Judiciary.

Papers from the House.

A bill to provide for the charge of certain public lands ^{Public Lands.} (on an order in regard to lands of the Commonwealth situate in great ponds or elsewhere, for the care, lease or disposition of which no provision is now made by law) ; and

A bill granting additional powers to the Cottage City ^{Cottage City Gas Co.} Gas Company, on petition of the same (in part), were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Reports

Of the committee on Labor, that no legislation is neces- ^{Reports.} sary, on so much of the forty-third report of the registration of births, marriages and deaths, together with the returns of libels for divorce, as relates to births, marriages and deaths ; and

Of the committee on Public Health, granting leave to withdraw, on the petition of Amos Haynes for a modification of chapter 150 of the Acts of 1885, so as to allow the manufacture of vinegar with burnt-sugar coloring, were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow.

A bill in relation to the service of warrants and other ^{Warrants, etc.} criminal process was read and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Appropriations. A bill making appropriations for expenses authorized the present year, and for certain other expenses authorized by law; and

Resolves in favor of the Massachusetts Agricultural College (on the Governor's Address), were severally read and referred to the committee on the Treasury.

The following papers were severally referred in concurrence:—

Lenox.

A petition of the selectmen of the town of Lenox for authority to establish a system for the disposal of sewage for said town (under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule); and

**H. B. Braman
et als.**

A remonstrance of H. B. Braman and others against granting authority to the town of Framingham to drain its sewage into the Sudbury River;

Severally to the committee on Drainage.

Nantucket.

A petition of the selectmen of Nantucket for authority to take certain lands in said town for the purpose of abating a nuisance (under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule);

To the committee on Harbors and Public Lands.

**Telephone
Rates.**

Petitions of

Horatio Wellington & Co. and others of Boston;

The Yates Brick & Tile Company and others of Boston; and

Pliny T. Litchfield and others of Southbridge, severally that telephone rates may be limited by law;

To the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

**Haverhill and
Bradford.**

A petition of George B. Holden and 184 others, business men of Haverhill, in aid of the petition for a footwalk across the railroad bridge between Haverhill and Bradford;

To the committee on Roads and Bridges.

Suffolk County.

The Senate bill relating to the salaries of certain court officers in the county of Suffolk came up, passed to be engrossed in concurrence with an amendment, and the Senate concurred therein.

The following engrossed bills (the first of which originated in the Senate) passed to be enacted, to wit:—

**Bills enacted
and to Gov.
ernor.**

To give selectmen of towns the power to remove engineers of fire departments.

Relative to the eligibility to office of members of city councils.

To amend An Act to supply the city of Brockton with pure water.

Relating to clerical assistance in the office of the Register of Probate and Insolvency in Essex County.

To authorize the city of Brockton to make an additional water loan.

Authorizing the Massachusetts Home Missionary Society to hold additional personal property.

Authorizing the widening of Central Street in East Bridgewater by taking a portion of the old graveyard.

An engrossed resolve providing for portraits of Speakers Sedgwick, Varnum and Banks, for the National Capitol at Washington, D. C. (which originated in the Senate), passed, and with the above-named bills was laid before the Governor for his approval. Resolve passed, etc.

The Orders of the Day were taken up, and the House report of the committee on Banks and Banking, on an order relative to investments by savings banks, was further considered, the question being on the substitution of the bill offered by Mr. Hayes (a bill to authorize savings banks and institutions for savings to invest in bonds of the city of Cincinnati), and it was determined as follows, to wit: — Savings Banks.

YEAS. — Messrs. Alger, Gleason, Jefts, Joyner, McGahey, Naphen. — 16.	Dunbar, Hayes, Jones, E. D. G., Kendricken, Morse,	Forbes, Howard, Jones, F. W., Locke, Murphy,
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NAYS. — Messrs. Boynton, Gove, Reed. — 7.	Emerson, Gunn,	Gould, Joslin,
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ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Bigelow, Norris,	Howland, Phillips,	Morrill, Scott. — 6.
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PAIRED. — Mr. Cogswell (yea) with Mr. Jefferson (nay). Mr. Douglas (yea) with Mr. Wilbur (nay). Mr. Lilley (yea) with Mr. Nourse (nay). Mr. Milliken (yea) with Mr. Tappan (nay). Mr. Walker (yea) with Mr. Harlow (nay). — 10.

So the bill was substituted, read and ordered to a second reading.

Main drains, etc. The bill to extend the duration of the lien of assessments for main drains or common sewers was referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Hours of Labor. The bill relating to the employment of minors under eighteen years of age and women in manufacturing and mechanical establishments, was read a second time and ordered to be placed first in the Orders of the Day for Wednesday, April 7.

Bills. The bills
To authorize the Wakefield Water Company to issue bonds and secure the same by a mortgage on its franchise and other property ;

To authorize savings banks and institutions for savings to invest in bonds and notes of the Worcester, Nashua & Rochester Railroad Company ;

To authorize the Franklin Typographical Society to hold additional real and personal estate ;

In addition to an act to supply the towns of Rockland, Abington and South Abington with water ;

To establish the salaries of the constables of the Municipal Court of the Charlestown District ;

In relation to the fees for the services of appraisers and other persons appointed under legal process ;

In relation to the sale of real estate by executors and administrators at private sale ; and the

Resolves. Resolves
Relating to the protection of brakemen on freight trains ;

In favor of the Soldiers' Messenger Corps ; and

In favor of Catherine Mullins, were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Naumkeag Street Railway Company.

The Senate bill to authorize the Naumkeag Street Railway Company to issue mortgage bonds was read twice, under a suspension of the rule, and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Boston. The Senate bill to authorize the city of Boston to purchase the property of the Jamaica Pond Aqueduct Corporation was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

The Senate reports

Of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, on the petition ^{Reports.} of F. W. Morandi to allow one gas company to acquire the property and franchise of another; and

Of the committee on Public Health, on the order relative to authorizing boards of health to close vaults and cesspools in certain cases, were severally accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The House reports

Of the committee on Agriculture, on the petition of W. M. Davis and others for more general distribution of the weather predictions issued daily by the United States Signal Service; and

Of the committee on Public Health, on an order relative to amending chapter 150 of the Acts of the year 1885 relative to the adulteration of vinegar, were severally accepted in concurrence.

Adjourned.

THURSDAY, April 1, 1886.

Met according to adjournment.

Mr. Howard, from the committee on Labor, to whom ^{Manufacturing establishments.} was recommitted with instructions to give a public hearing after due notice, the bill relating to providing means of communication between rooms in manufacturing establishments where machinery is propelled by steam and the room where the engineer is stationed, reported that they have complied with the instructions and that the bill ought to pass, and the report was read and the bill placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow, the question being on ordering the same to a third reading.

Mr. Walker, from the committee on Expenditures, on ^{Contested elections.} the Senate resolves providing for the printing of additional copies of the reports of cases of contested elections, for the future publication of such cases, and for the compensation of the editors thereof, reported that the same ought to pass with an amendment, and the resolves were severally ordered to a second reading.

Deaf-mutes.

Mr. Forbes, from the committee on Education, on the petition of the Trustees of the New England Industrial School for Deaf-mutes, reported a resolve in favor of the Industrial School for Deaf-mutes, and the same was read and referred to the committee on the Treasury.

Statistics of
Labor — Chief
of Bureau.

Mr. Nourse, from the committee on Public Service, on the order relative to increasing the salary of the Chief of the Bureau of Statistics of Labor, reported that it is inexpedient to legislate thereon, and the report was read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow.

Appropriations.

Mr. Morrill, from the committee on the Treasury, on the House bill making appropriations for expenses authorized the present year, and for certain other expenses authorized by law; and

Hampshire
County.

Mr. Naphen, from the committee on Probate and Insolvency, on the House bill relating to sessions of the Probate Court for the county of Hampshire, severally reported that these bills ought to pass and they were ordered to a second reading.

Mass. Agricultural
College.

Mr. Walker, from the committee on the Treasury, on the House resolves in favor of the Massachusetts Agricultural College, reported that the same ought to pass and they were ordered to a second reading.

Petitions were presented and referred as follows: —

North Woburn
Street Railroad
Company.

By Mr. Harlow, a petition of the Directors of the North Woburn Street Railroad Company for an extension of its charter, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule; To the committee on Street Railways.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Seduction.

By Mr. Harlow, petitions of Mrs. S. E. Child and others, and Clara Gowing and others;

By Mr. Morse, a petition of Post 3, Woman's Relief Corps, Rev. Elmer H. Capen and others; and Abby Y. Lawson and others, for additional legislation to punish the crime of seduction;

Severally to the committee on the Judiciary.

Papers from the House.

A bill in relation to the duties and rights of purchasers of railroads sold under mortgage foreclosure, and of their grantees and successors in title, on an order in relation to the subject, was read and ordered to a second reading. Railroads.

A report of the committee on Public Health, that it is inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to legislation concerning the transportation of bodies of deceased persons, was read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow. Deceased persons — Transportation of bodies of.

A resolve concerning the income of the Massachusetts School Fund, on an order in relation to the subject, was read and referred to the committee on the Treasury. Mass. School Fund.

The House bill relating to the opening of polls on election days came up. The House non-concurs in the Senate amendment and asks for a committee of conference, and Messrs. Flynn of Boston, Davenport of Marlborough and Barden of Attleborough are appointed as the committee of conference on the part of the House, and the Senate insists and concurred in the appointment of a committee of conference, and Messrs. Jefferson, Norris and Boynton are appointed said committee on the part of the Senate. Polls, opening of.

Notice was received from the House of Representatives that the Senate petition of a committee of the town of Canton for the repeal of so much of chapter 177 of the Acts of the year 1883 as relates to the supplying of the town of Canton with water by the Sharon Water Company had been referred to the next General Court under the 12th Joint Rule. Canton.

Bills Enacted.

The following engrossed bills (the first of which originated in the Senate) passed to be enacted and were laid before the Governor for his approval, to wit:—

To amend chapter one hundred and fifty-three of the Acts of the year eighteen hundred and eighty-four, authorizing the Boston and Lowell Railroad Corporation to unite and consolidate with certain railroads. Bills enacted and to Governor.

For the protection of railroad employees.

The following order was laid over on objection of Mr. Norris :—

State House —
Committee on.

Ordered, That the committee on State House have authority to visit the State House in the city of Albany, N. Y., and the State House in the city of Hartford, Conn., should they deem it necessary so to do.

George G.
Spear, Jr.

The report of the committee on Public Service, on the petition of George G. Spear, Jr., for the establishment of the salary of the third clerk in the department of the Secretary of the Commonwealth, was taken from the table and ordered to be placed in the Orders of the Day for Monday next.

Alvin I. Phillips.

The report of the committee on Public Service, on the petition of Alvin I. Phillips, constable of the municipal court of the Dorchester District of the city of Boston, for an increase of salary, was taken from the table. Mr. Hayes moved to substitute a bill for the report, and without further action thereon the report was ordered to be placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow.

Sharon Water
Company.

The House report of the committee on Water Supply, on the petition of the Sharon Water Co. for legislation relative to supplying the towns of Sharon, Stoughton and Canton with water by said company, and for an increase of its capital stock, was taken from the table and accepted in concurrence.

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

Bills.

The bills

To establish the salary of the justice of the police court of Lynn ;

To establish the salary of the clerk of the police court of Springfield ;

To establish the salary of the clerk of the first district court of Southern Middlesex ;

To establish the salary of the clerk of the police court of Newton ;

To authorize savings banks and institutions for savings to invest in bonds of the city of Cincinnati ;

To provide for the charge of certain public lands ; and

Granting additional powers to the Cottage City Gas Company, were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Senate bill to authorize the Wakefield Water Company to issue bonds and secure the same by a mortgage on its franchise and other property was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Wakefield
Water Co.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The Senate bill to authorize savings banks and institutions for savings to invest in bonds and notes of the Worcester, Nashua and Rochester Railroad Company was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Savings Banks.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The House bills

To authorize the Franklin Typographical Society to hold additional real and personal estate ;

Bills.

In relation to the fees for the services of appraisers and other persons appointed under legal process ;

In relation to the sale of real estate by executors and administrators at private sale ; and

The House resolves

Relating to the protection of brakemen on freight trains ; and

Resolves.

In favor of Catherine Mullins, were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

The House bill to establish the salaries of the constables of the Municipal Court of the Charlestown District was read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

Charlestown
Municipal
Court.

Subsequently Mr. Alger moved to reconsider the vote by which the bill passed to be engrossed, and the motion being considered under a suspension of the rule was carried in the negative.

The Senate resolve in favor of the Soldiers' Messenger Corps was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Soldiers'
Messenger
Corps.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The Senate reports

Of the committee on Public Service, on the petition of the judge of the police court of the city of Gloucester for an increase of salary ; and

Gloucester
Police Court.

On the petition of the constables of the municipal court of the Roxbury District of Boston for an increase in salaries, were severally accepted.

Roxbury Munc-
ipal Court.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The House reports

Births, Mar-
riages, etc.

Of the committee on Labor, on so much of the forty-third report of the registration of births, marriages and deaths, together with the returns of libels for divorce, as relates to births, marriages and deaths; and

Amos Haynes.

Of the committee on Public Health, on the petition of Amos Haynes for a modification of chapter 150 of the Acts of 1885, so as to allow the manufacture of vinegar with burnt-sugar coloring, were severally accepted in concurrence.

Adjourned.

FRIDAY, April 2, 1886.

Met according to adjournment.

Lowell Police
Court.

Mr. Alger, from the committee on Public Service, on the petition of D. S. Richardson and others, reported a bill to establish the salaries of the standing justice and clerk of the police court of Lowell;

District Court.

Also, on the petition of Emerson W. Law, a bill to establish the salary of the clerk of the Third District Court of Eastern Middlesex;

Ibid.

Also, on the petition of John W. Pettingill, a bill to establish the salary of the standing justice of the First District Court of Eastern Middlesex;

Inspector and
Assayer of
Liquors.

Also, on an order in relation to the subject, a bill to establish the salary of the Inspector and Assayer of Liquors;

District Court.

Also, on the petition of William N. Tyler, a bill to establish the salary of the clerk of the First District Court of Eastern Middlesex; and

Home for Aged
Men and
Women in
Framingham.

Mr. Boynton, from the committee on Mercantile Affairs, on the petition of Hollis Hastings and others, reported a bill to incorporate the Home for Aged Men and Women in Framingham; and

Medway, First
Parish in.

Mr. Emerson, from the committee on Parishes and Religious Societies, on the petition of Moses Richardson and others, reported a bill to change the name of the "First Parish in Medway" to "Parish of the Church of Christ;" and

Tufts College.

Mr. Scott, from the committee on the Judiciary, on the petition of the Trustees of Tufts College, reported a bill concerning the amount of real and personal estate that

may be held by the Trustees of Tufts College, and these bills were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Mr. Joyner, from the committee on Military Affairs, on the petition of Isadora F. Lincoln, reported a resolve in favor of Benjamin C. Lincoln, and the same was read and referred to the committee on the Treasury. Benjamin C. Lincoln.

Mr. Nourse, from the committee on Public Service, on the order relative to providing that the officers and positions under the sergeant-at-arms shall be appointed, like the employees in the executive departments, under the civil service rules, reported that it is inexpedient to legislate thereon; and Sergeant-at-Arms' officers.

On so much of the Governor's Address as relates to the district police and to the public service, that no legislation is necessary thereon; and District Police, etc.

Mr. Cogswell, from the committee on the Judiciary, on the order relative to the better protection of owners of real estate, and of persons having an interest therein; and on the order relative to further legislation allowing any person arrested upon bastardy process to give a recognizance secured by a deposit of money, reported that it is inexpedient to legislate thereon, and these reports were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow. Real Estate.
Bastardy process.

Petitions were presented and referred as follows:—

By Mr. Morse, petitions of the New England Society for suppression of vice; and Seduction.

Irving Jones and others; and

By Mr. Kendrick, a petition of Mrs. Wendell Phillips, severally for additional legislation to punish the crime of seduction and raise the age of consent;

To the committee on the Judiciary.

Papers from the House.

A resolve in favor of the town of Monroe (on the petition of Crosby A. Perry and others), was read and referred to the committee on the Treasury. Monroe.

Reports, that it is inexpedient to legislate,

Of the committee on Labor, on an order relative to imposition of fines and penalties by, and forfeiture of wages to, corporations; and Corporations.

Boston.

Of the committee on Cities, on an order relative to amending chapter 178 of the Acts of the year 1885, so as to exclude the county tax in determining the amount of tax which can be assessed on the property of the city of Boston; and

Ibid.

A report granting leave to withdraw

Of the committee on Cities, on the petition of the mayor of Boston, that the debt issued under authority of chapter 377, Acts of 1885, on account of the new court house and site, be not included within the limitations prescribed by chapter 178 of the Acts of 1885, were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow.

Engineers in
Manufacturing
Establishments.

Reports of the committee on Labor, on the order to consider the expediency of such legislation as shall provide that no person employed as an engineer in any manufacturing establishment, or in any building, a part of which is used as a manufactory, shall be required or allowed to perform any other labor during the time for which he is engaged for such service; and of such legislation as shall provide for the appointment of a State inspector, or a board of examiners, whose duty it shall be to ascertain by examination the qualifications of engineers; and that no person shall be allowed to run a stationary engine without a license from said inspector or board of examiners, severally that the committee be discharged from the further consideration thereof, and that the same be referred to the committee on Manufactures, were accepted in concurrence,

Bills Enacted and Resolves Passed.

The following engrossed bills (all of which originated in the House of Representatives) passed to be enacted, to wit:—

Bills enacted
and to Gov-
ernor.

To provide accommodations for registries of deeds and probate in connection with the new court house for the county of Suffolk, and to take additional land for the purpose.

To establish the salary of the justice of the Second District Court of Eastern Middlesex.

To establish the salary of the clerk of the Municipal Court of the Dorchester District of the city of Boston.

To authorize railroad corporations to join certain relief societies.

The following engrossed resolves (all of which originated in the House of Representatives) passed, and, with the above-named bills, were laid before the Governor for his approval, to wit:—

Resolves passed, etc.

In favor of Samuel Hillman.

Granting county taxes.

In favor of Mary McGrath; and

Providing for the printing of additional copies of the report of the Commissioners on the Topographical Survey and Map of Massachusetts for the year eighteen hundred and eighty-five.

The Senate report of the committee on Street Railways, on the order relative to legislation for the construction, maintenance and operation of elevated railroads in and between the cities and towns of the Commonwealth, was taken from the table and accepted.

Elevated Railroads.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

On motion of Mr. Cogswell, it was ordered that when the Senate adjourns to-day, it be to meet on Tuesday next at two o'clock P. M.

The following order laid over from yesterday,—

Ordered (H.), That the committee on State House have authority to visit the State House in the city of Albany, N. Y., and the State House in the city of Hartford, Ct., should they deem it necessary so to do, was considered, and the question on the adoption of the same was determined as follows, to wit:—

Committee on the State House.

YEAS.—Messrs. Cogswell,	Emerson,	Hayes,
Jones, E. D. G.,	Joslin,	Locke,
Morrill,	Murphy.—8.	
NAYS.—Messrs. Alger,	Boynton,	Douglas,
Dunbar,	Forbes,	Gleason,
Gunn,	Harlow,	Joyner,
Kendricken,	Lilley,	Milliken,
Morse,	Napfen,	Nourse,
Reed,	Wilbur.—17.	

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Bigelow,	Gould,	Gove,
Howard,	Howland,	Jefferson,
Jefts,	Jones, F. W.,	McGahey,
Norris,	Phillips,	Scott,
Tappan,	Walker.—14.	

So the order was rejected.

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

**Manufacturing
Establishments.**

The bill relating to providing means of communication between rooms in manufacturing establishments where machinery is propelled by steam and the room where the engineer is stationed, was considered.

Mr. Boynton proposed an amendment therein, and the subject was passed over.

Alvin I. Phillips.

The report of the committee on Public Service, on the petition of Alvin I. Phillips, constable of the municipal court of the Dorchester District of the city of Boston, for an increase of salary, was passed over.

**Rockland,
Abington and
So. Abington.**

The House bill in addition to An Act to supply the towns of Rockland, Abington and South Abington with water, was read a third time, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

**Contested
Elections.**

The resolves providing for the publication of additional copies of the reports of cases of contested elections, for the future publication of such cases and for the compensation of the editors thereof, having been read a second time, and the amendments proposed by the committee on Expenditures being before the Senate, the question on the adoption of the same was determined as follows, to wit:—

YEAS.—Messrs. Alger,	Boynton,	Douglas,
Forbes,	Joyner,	Kendricken,
Morrill,	Reed,	Walker.—9.

NAYS.—Messrs. Cogswell,	Gleason,	Gove,
Hayes,	Joslin,	Lilley,
Milliken,	Naphen,	Nourse,
Scott,	Wilbur.—11.	

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Bigelow,	Dunbar,	Emerson,
Gould,	Gunn,	Harlow,
Howard,	Howland,	Jefferson,
Jefts,	Jones, E. D. G.,	Jones, F. W.,
Locke,	McGahey,	Morse,
Murphy,	Norris,	Phillips,
Tappan.—19.		

The resolves were then amended on motion of Mr. Lilley and ordered to a third reading.

The bill in relation to the duties and rights of purchasers of railroads sold under mortgage foreclosure, and of their grantees and successors in title, was read a second time and ordered to a third reading. Railroads.

The House bill making appropriations for expenses authorized the present year, and for certain other expenses authorized by law, was read a second and a third time under a suspension of the rules, and not having been in the hands of the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, the further consideration thereof was passed over. Appropriations.

The bill relating to sessions of the Probate Court for the county of Hampshire; and the Hampshire County.

Resolves in favor of the Massachusetts Agricultural College, were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading. Agricultural College.

The Senate bill to establish the salary of the justice of the police court of Lynn, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed. Lynn Police Court.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The Senate reports

Of the committee on the Judiciary, on the order relative to the better protection of owners of real estate, and of persons having an interest therein; and Reports.

On the order relative to further legislation allowing any person arrested upon bastardy process to give a recognizance secured by a deposit of money, were severally accepted.

The House reports

Of the committee on Cities, on the petition of the mayor of Boston, that the debt issued under authority of chapter 337, Acts of 1885, on account of the new court house and site, be not included within the limitations prescribed by chapter 178 of the Acts of 1885; and

On an order relative to amending chapter 178 of the Acts of the year 1885 so as to exclude the county tax in determining the amount of tax which can be assessed on the property in the city of Boston; and

Of the committee on Labor, on an order relative to imposition of fines and penalties by, and forfeiture of wages to, corporations, were severally accepted in concurrence.

Police Court,
Springfield.

The Senate bill to establish the salary of the clerk of the police court of Springfield, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

District Court.

The Senate bill to establish the salary of the clerk of the first district court of Southern Middlesex, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Newton Police
Court.

The Senate bill to establish the salary of the clerk of the police court of Newton, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Savings Banks.

The Senate bill to authorize savings banks and institutions for savings to invest in bonds of the city of Cincinnati was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Public Lands.

The House bill to provide for the charge of certain public lands, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence with an amendment in the title, adding to the same the words "by the Board of Harbor and Land Commissioners," and sent down for concurrence in the amendment.

Came up concurred.

Cottage City
Gas Company.

The House bill granting additional powers to the Cottage City Gas Company, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Statistics of
Labor, Bureau
of.

The Senate report of the committee on Public Service, on the order relative to increasing the salary of the Chief of the Bureau of Statistics of Labor, was accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Reports.

The House report of the committee on Public Health, on an order relative to legislation concerning the transportation of bodies of deceased persons, was accepted in concurrence.

Adjourned.

TUESDAY, April 6, 1886.

Met according to adjournment.

Mr. Howland, from the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, on an order in relation to the subject, reported a bill to provide for the transportation of shipwrecked seamen in certain cases, and the same was read and referred to the committee on the Treasury.

Shipwrecked
Seamen.

Mr. Jefferson, from the committee on Labor, on the bill relating to the covering and guarding of certain machinery of factories, shops and other buildings, reported that the same ought not to pass, and the bill was placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow on the question of rejection.

Machinery,
Guarding of.

Mr. Boynton, from the committee on Mercantile Affairs, on the petition of the Bay State Gas Company for authority to increase its capital stock and to purchase the property of other gas companies in the city of Boston, reported that the petitioner have leave to withdraw, and the report was read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow.

Bay State Gas
Company.

Petitions, etc., were presented and referred as follows:—

By Mr. Jones of Essex, a petition of N. Weber and others in aid of the petition of the Boston and Lowell Railroad Corporation for authority to build a branch connecting the Mystic Branch with the Salem and Lowell Railroad;

Boston & Lowell
Railroad Cor-
poration.

To the committee on Railroads.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

By Mr. Jefferson, a petition of Thomas Shea and others for the establishment of evening high schools and in aid of the bill now pending for the establishment of such schools;

Evening High
Schools.

Placed on file.

By Mr. Boynton, a petition of Thomas McGovern for the confirmation of his acts as a justice of the peace;

Thomas
McGovern.

To the committee on the Judiciary under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule.

Sent down for concurrence in the suspension of the 12th Joint Rule.

Came up concurred.

Seduction.

By Mr. Morse, petitions of
L. E. Lane and others ;
Mrs. E. L. Goddard and others ;
Julia K. Dyer and others ;
Mary H. Vaughn and others ; and
L. E. Cobb and others, for additional legislation to
punish the crime of seduction and to raise the age of
consent ;

Severally to the committee on the Judiciary.

Order Adopted.

Adjournment.

On motion of Mr. Norris, —
Ordered, That when the Senate adjourn on Thursday
of each week it adjourn to meet on Friday morning at
eleven o'clock.

Papers from the House.

Dogs.

A report of the committee on Agriculture, that it is
inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to protec-
tion of persons and property from dogs, was read and
placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow.

**Charles River
Embankment
Company.**

The Senate bill in relation to the Charles River Em-
bankment Company came up, passed to be engrossed in
concurrence with an amendment in the title, striking out
the whole of the same and inserting the following in place
thereof : —

“ An Act to extend the time within which the Charles
River Embankment Company shall perform certain work
and fixing amount of material for filling to be dredged
from the Charles River Basin.”

And the Senate concurred therein.

**State Work-
house.**

The Senate resolve in favor of the State Workhouse at
Bridgewater came up, passed to be engrossed with an
amendment in the title, striking out the whole of the
same and inserting the following in place thereof : —

“Resolve providing for moving and repairing the barn, for the erection of a stable and sheds, and a building for the storage of coal, at the State Workhouse at Bridge-water.”

And the Senate concurred therein.

The bill to incorporate the town of Hopedale being put ^{Hopedale.} upon its final passage, Mr. Scott moved that the consideration of the same be assigned for three o'clock P. M., and the question on that motion was determined as follows, to wit:—

YEAS. — Messrs. Alger,	Bigelow,	Boynton,
Cogswell,	Emerson,	Hayes,
Howard,	Jones, F. W.,	Joslin,
Joyner,	Kendricken,	Lilley,
Murphy,	Naphen,	Scott,
Tappan,	Walker,	Wilbur. — 18.

NAYS. — Messrs. Forbes,	Gleason,	Gould,
Gunn,	Harlow,	Howland,
Jefferson,	Jefts,	Jones, E. D. G.,
Locke,	Milliken,	Morrill,
Morse,	Norris,	Nourse.
Phillips. — 16.		

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Douglas.	Dunbar,	Gove,
McGahey,	Reed. — 5.	

And the motion was carried in the affirmative.

Pursuant to assignment,

At three o'clock P. M., the Senate proceeded to the consideration of the above-named bill, and the question on passing the same to be enacted was taken by yeas and nays, as follows, to wit:—

YEAS. — Messrs. Gleason,	Gould,	Gunn,
Harlow,	Hayes,	Howland,
Jefferson,	Joslin,	Jones, E. D. G.,
Joyner,	Morrill,	Locke,
Morse,	Nourse,	Norris,
Phillips,		Wilbur. — 18.

NAYS. — Messrs. Alger,	Bigelow,	Boynton,
Cogswell,	Emerson,	Forbes,
Gove,	Howard,	Jones, F. W.,
Kendricken,	Lilley,	Murphy,
Naphen,	Scott,	Tappan,
Walker. — 16.		

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Messrs. Douglas, McGahey, Reed. — 3.

PAIRED. — Mr. Milliken (yea) ; Mr. Dunbar (nay).

So the bill passed to be enacted and was laid before the Governor for his approval.

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

George G.
Spear, Jr.

The report of the committee on Public Service, on the petition of George G. Spear, Jr., for the establishment of the salary of the Third Clerk in the Department of the Secretary of the Commonwealth, was considered, the question being on the substitution of the bill proposed by Mr. Lilley, and the vote on that motion was taken by yeas and nays, as follows, to wit : —

YEAS. — Messrs. Cogswell,	Emerson,	Howard,
Howland,	Jones, F. W.,	Kendricken,
Lilley,	Milliken,	Murphy,
Naphen,	Scott,	Walker. — 12.

NAYS. — Messrs. Alger,	Boynton,	Forbes,
Gleason,	Gould,	Gove,
Gunn,	Harlow,	Jefferson,
Jefts,	Jones, E. D. G.,	Joslin,
Joyner,	Locke,	Morrill,
Norris,	Nourse,	Tappan,
Wilbur. — 19.		

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Bigelow,	Douglas,	Dunbar,
Hayes,	McGahey,	Morse,
Phillips,	Reed. — 8.	

So the Senate refused to substitute the bill and the report was thereupon accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Manufacturing
Establishments.

The bill relating to providing means of communication between rooms in manufacturing establishments where machinery is propelled by steam and the room where the engineer is stationed, was further considered, the question being on ordering the bill to a third reading.

Mr. Boynton moved to amend the bill as follows : — Add to section 1 the words, “ *Provided*, that in the opinion of the inspectors such communication is necessary.”

And the question on this motion was determined as follows, to wit : —

YEAS. — Messrs. Boynton, Cogswell, Emerson,
Forbes, Gleason, Gould,
Gunn, Harlow, Howland,
Jefferson, Jefts, Jones, E. D. G.,
Joslin, Milliken, Morse,
Norris, Nourse, Reed,
Scott, Tappan, Walker,
Wilbur. — 22.

NAYS. — Messrs. Alger, Hayes, Howard,
Jones, F. W., Joyner, Kendrickken,
Lilley, Locke, Murphy,
Naphen. — 10.

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Bigelow, Douglas, Dunbar,
Gove, McGahey, Morrill,
Phillips. — 7.

So the amendment was adopted and the bill as amended ordered to a third reading.

The House report of the committee on Public Service, Alvin I. Phillips. leave to withdraw, on the petition of Alvin I. Phillips, constable of the municipal court of the Dorchester District of the city of Boston, for an increase of salary, was considered, the question being on the substitution of the bill proposed by Mr. Hayes therefor, and the bill was rejected, and the report was thereupon accepted in concurrence.

The bill for the establishment of evening high schools Evening High Schools. in certain cities, was ordered to a third reading.

The bill to establish the salaries of the standing justice Lowell Police Court. and clerk of the Police Court of Lowell was read a second time.

Mr. Lilley moved to amend the bill as follows: — Strike out from line 3, section 1, the words “two hundred,” and insert in the place thereof the words “five hundred;” also to strike out from line 2, in section 2, the word “fourteen,” and insert in the place thereof the word “eighteen.”

And the question on this motion was determined as follows, to wit: —

YEAS. — Messrs. Hayes, Howland, Lilley,
Locke, Murphy, Naphen,
Scott. — 7.

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NAYS. — Messrs Alger, Boynton, Gleason,
Gunn, Jones, E. D. G., Joyner,
Norris, Nourse, Tappan,
Wilbur.— 10.

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Bigelow,	Cogswell,	Douglas,
Dunbar,	Emerson,	Forbes,
Gould,	Gove,	Harlow,
Howard,	Jefferson,	Jefts,
Jones, F. W.,	Joslin,	Kendricken,
McGahey,	Milliken,	Morrill,
Morse,	Phillips,	Reed,
Walker.— 22.		

And the amendment was rejected and the bill ordered to a third reading.

The bills
Bills. To establish the salary of the clerk of the Third District Court of Eastern Middlesex ;
 To establish the salary of the standing justice of the First District Court of Eastern Middlesex ;
 To establish the salary of the Inspector and Assayer of Liquors ;
 To establish the salary of the Clerk of the First District Court of Eastern Middlesex ;
 To incorporate the Home for Aged Men and Women in Framingham ;
 To change the name of the “ First Parish in Medway ” to “ Parish of the Church of Christ ” ; and
 Concerning the amount of real and personal estate that may be held by the trustees of Tufts College, were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Contested Elections.

The Senate resolves providing for the printing of additional copies of the reports of cases of contested elections, for the future publication of such cases, and for the compensation of the editors thereof, were read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Railroads.

The House bill in relation to the duties and rights of purchasers of railroads sold under mortgage foreclosure, and of their grantees and successors in title, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The House bill making appropriations for expenses Appropriations. authorized the present year, and for certain other expenses authorized by law, was passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

The House bill relating to sessions of the Probate Court Hampshire County. for the county of Hampshire, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The House resolves in favor of the Massachusetts Agricultural College, were read a third time and passed to be Massachusetts Agricultural College. engrossed, in concurrence.

The Senate reports of the committee on Public Service, Reports. on the order relative to providing that the officers and positions under the sergeant-at-arms shall be appointed, like the employees in the executive departments, under the civil service rules; and

On so much of the Governor's Address as relates to the district police and to the public service, were severally accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, April 7, 1886.

Met according to adjournment.

Mr. Dunbar, from the joint committee on the Judiciary, on an order in relation to the subject, reported

A bill to establish the district court of Western Hampden; District Court.

Mr. Alger, from the committee on Public Service, on the petition of George M. Brooks, reported

A bill to establish the salary of the judge of the Probate Court for the county of Middlesex; Middlesex Probate Court.

Also, on an order in relation to the subject, a bill to establish the salary of the judge of the Probate Court for the county of Hampden; Hampden Probate Court.

Also, on the petition of Jesse E. Keith, a bill to establish the salary of the judge of the Probate Court for the county of Plymouth; and Plymouth Probate Court.

Mr. Tappan, from the committee on Fisheries and Game, Bluefish. on the petition of Nelson O. Lovell and others, a bill to

prohibit the seining of bluefish in the waters of Vineyard Sound opposite the towns of Barnstable and Mashpee ;

Buzzard's Bay
Fisheries.

Also, on the petition of Gerard C. Tobey and others, a bill for the protection of the fisheries in Buzzard's Bay ; and

Vineyard
Haven.

Mr. Boynton, from the committee on Mercantile Affairs, on the petition of P. L. Smith and others, reported a bill to incorporate the Village Cemetery Association of Vineyard Haven, and these bills were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Shipwrecked
seamen.

Mr. Douglas, from the committee on the Treasury, on the Senate bill to provide for the transportation of shipwrecked seamen in certain cases ; and

Benjamin C.
Lincoln.

Mr. Walker, from the same committee, on the Senate resolve in favor of Benjamin C. Lincoln ; and the

Monroe, Town
of.
School Fund.

House resolve in favor of the town of Monroe ; and Mr. Morrill, from the same committee, on the House resolve concerning the income of the Massachusetts School Fund ; and

Deaf mutes.

The Senate resolve in favor of the New England Industrial School for Deaf-Mutes, severally reported that this bill and these resolves ought to pass, and they were ordered to a second reading.

J. L. Worthy
et als.

Mr. Phillips, from the committee on Towns, on the petition of J. L. Worthy and others, that the town of West Springfield be annexed to the city of Springfield (no notice of the intention to present said petition being given or advertised, as required by the provisions of chapter 24 of the Acts of the year 1885), reported that the same be referred to the next General Court, and the report was read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow.

Petitions were presented and referred as follows : —

S. Proctor
Thayer.

By Mr. Cogswell, a petition of S. Proctor Thayer, that the Hoosac Valley Street Railway Company may be authorized to issue mortgage bonds and for amendment of its charter. Referred to the committee on Street Railways, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule, with instructions to hear the parties after such notice shall have been given as the committee shall direct.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

By Mr. Morse, petitions of
 Elizabeth Powell Bond and others ;
 Louisa S. Lufkin and others ;
 Samuel Chapman and others ;
 Mrs. Mary Whittaker and others ;
 Mrs. Folts and others ;
 Mrs. L. C. Caswell and others ;
 Mrs. Albert Bowker and others ;
 Helen B. O'Leary and others ; and
 Cynthia J. Chapman and others, severally for additional
 legislation to punish the crime of seduction and to raise
 the age of consent ;
 To the committee on the Judiciary.

Seduction.

By Mr. Phillips, a remonstrance of C. B. Wells and
 others, against the passage of the bill relating to the employ-
 ment of minors under eighteen years of age and women in
 manufacturing and mechanical establishments ; and

Minors and
 Women.

By Mr. Jefferson, a remonstrance of the school com-
 mittee of Worcester against the passage of the bill for the
 establishment of evening high schools ;
 Severally placed on file.

Evening High
 Schools.

Papers from the House.

A bill to incorporate the Dennis and Yarmouth Improve-
 ment Company (on the petition of Charles F. Swift and
 others), was read and ordered to a second reading.

Dennis and
 Yarmouth.

Reports, that it is inexpedient to legislate,

Of the committee on Agriculture, on an order relative
 to amending section 94 of chapter 102 of the Public Stat-
 utes, by striking out the words "worrying, wounding or
 killing neat cattle, sheep or lambs" ;

Reports.

On an order relative to contagious diseases among cat-
 tle, horses and other domestic animals ;

Of the joint committee on the Judiciary, on an order
 relative to defining the rights of riparian proprietors of
 water-courses, and mills, dams and reservoirs ; and

Of the committee on Public Service, on an order rela-
 tive to regulating by law vacations for persons in the em-
 ploy of the Commonwealth, were severally read and placed
 in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow.

Boston & Lowell
Railroad Cor-
poration.

The following papers were severally referred in concurrence : —

Petitions of

Charles F. Mower and 179 others ;

O. R. Furbush and 378 others of Lynn ;

George E. Kimball and 433 others ;

John M. Hanson and 316 others of Lynn ;

Henry Breed and 601 others of Lynn ;

Alfred A. Mower and 345 others ;

James M. Tarbox and 155 others of Lynn ;

J. P. Woodbury and 424 others ;

William D. Huntington and 211 others of Lynn ;

Addison G. Harmon and 183 others of Malden ;

Harden Plummer and 147 others of Everett ;

William G. Harris and 74 others of Revere ; and

George W. Oliver and 14 others of Saugus, severally in aid of the petition of the Boston and Lowell Railroad for power to build a branch connecting the Mystic branch with the Salem and Lowell Railroad at Peabody.

To the Committee on Railroads.

Shawsheen
River.

A remonstrance of M. B. Townsend and 100 others of Lawrence against the city of Boston taking the waters of Shawsheen River ;

To the committee on Water Supply.

Bills Enacted and Resolve Passed.

Bills Enacted.

The following engrossed bills, both of which originated in the House, passed to be enacted, to wit : —

To confirm the proceedings of the Third Congregational Society in Cambridge, and to authorize said society to convey to the Trustees of Donations to the Protestant Episcopal Church certain real estate.

To incorporate the Plainville Water Company.

Resolve Passed.

An engrossed resolve, relative to the establishment of an Arbor Day (which originated in the House), passed.

Overseers of the
Poor.

The Senate bill concerning eligibility for the office of overseer of the poor came up, passed to be engrossed in concurrence with an amendment in the title, striking out the whole of the same and inserting the following in place thereof : — “ An Act to declare women eligible to serve as overseers of the poor ” ; and

Holyoke Police
Court.

The Senate bill to establish the salary of the standing justice of the police court of Holyoke came up, passed to

engrossed in concurrence, with an amendment, striking out the word "standing," in the first section of the bill and in the title thereof; and

The Senate resolve for the completion of certain build-
ings and for the construction of a chapel at Westborough
for the Lyman School for Boys, came up passed to be
engrossed in concurrence with amendments as follows: In
the second and third lines strike out the words "appro-
priated and paid," and insert in place thereof the words
"allowed and paid out of the treasury of the Common-
wealth"; also, insert after the word "resolve" in the title
the word "providing," and these amendments were sever-
ally adopted in concurrence.

Lyman School
for Boys.

The following order, offered by Mr. Norris, was re-
jected: —

Adjournment.

Ordered, That when the Senate adjourns it be to meet
at eleven o'clock A. M., on Friday, April 9th.

The vote by which the following order was adopted
yesterday was reconsidered and the order rejected: —

Ordered, That when the Senate adjourns on Thursday
of each week it adjourn to meet on Friday morning, at
eleven o'clock.

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

The bill relating to the employment of minors under
eighteen years of age and women in manufacturing and
mechanical establishments being considered, Mr. Reed
moved to amend the bill by striking from the first line of
section 1 the word "eighteen" and inserting in the place
thereof the word "fifteen"; also to strike from the second
line the words "and no women"; and the question on
this motion was taken by yeas and nays as follows, to
wit: —

Minors and
Women, Em-
ployment of.

YEAS. — Messrs. Cogswell,
Forbes,
Howland,
Kendricken,
Milliken,
Reed,

Dunbar,
Gleason,
Joslin,
Lilley,
Murphy,
Scott. — 17.

Emerson,
Howard,
Joyner,
Locke,
Nourse,

NAYS. — Messrs. Boynton,
Harlow,
Jefts,
Naphen,
Wilbur. — 13.

Gould,
Hayes,
Jones, F. W.,
Norris,

Gunn,
Jefferson,
Morse,
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Messrs. Bigelow, Gove, McGahey,
Morrill, Tappan. — 5.

PAIRED. — Mr. Jones, E. D. G. (yea) with Mr. Alger (nay). Mr. Walker (yea) with Mr. Douglas (nay). — 4.

So the amendment was adopted.

The question then recurring on ordering the bill to a third reading, it was determined as follows, to wit: —

YEAS. — Messrs. Dunbar,	Emerson,	Hayes,
Howard,	Howland,	Jones, F. W.,
Joyner,	Kendricken,	Lilley,
Locke,	Murphy,	Naphen,
Reed,	Scott. — 14.	

NAYS. — Messrs. Boynton,	Cogswell,	Gleason,
Gould,	Gunn,	Harlow,
Jefferson,	Jefts,	Joslin,
Milliken,	Morse,	Norris,
Nourse,	Phillips,	Tappan,
Wilbur. — 16.		

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Bigelow, Forbes, Gove,
McGahey, Morrill. — 5.

PAIRED. — Mr. Alger (yea) with Mr. Jones, E. D. G. (nay). Mr. Douglas (yea) with Mr. Walker (nay). — 4.

So the Senate refused to order the bill to a third reading.

Machinery in
Factories, etc.

The bill relating to the covering and guarding of certain machinery of factories, shops and other buildings, was considered, but without action thereon was passed over.

Manufacturing
Establishments.

The House bill relating to providing means of communication between rooms in manufacturing establishments where machinery is propelled by steam and the room where the engineer is stationed, was read a third time as heretofore amended, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence with the amendment which was sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

District Court.

The Senate bill to establish the salary of the clerk of the Third District Court of Eastern Middlesex, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The Senate bill to establish the salary of the Inspector and Assayer of Liquors, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed. Inspector of Liquors.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The Senate bill to establish the salary of the Clerk of the First District Court of Eastern Middlesex, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed. District Court.

Sent down for concurrence,

Came up concurred.

The Senate bill to incorporate the Home for Aged Men and Women in Framingham, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed. Framingham.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The Senate bill to change the name of the "First Parish in Medway" to "Parish of the Church of Christ," was read a third time and passed to be engrossed. Medway.

Sent down for concurrence.

The Senate bill concerning the amount of real and personal estate that may be held by the trustees of Tufts College, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed. Tufts College.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The Senate report of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, on the petition of the Bay State Gas Company for authority to increase its capital stock and to purchase the property of other gas companies in the city of Boston, was accepted. Bay State Gas Company.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The House report of the committee on Agriculture, on an order relative to protection of persons and property from dogs, was accepted in concurrence. Dogs.

The bill for the establishment of evening high schools in certain cities, was read a third time. Evening High Schools.

Mr. Alger moved to lay the bill upon the table.

Mr. Norris moved that a call of the Senate be had, and a vote being taken, the President (Mr. Dunbar in the Chair) declared that the motion had been carried in the negative.

Mr. Norris doubted the vote. Pending a verification of the doubt, the Senate
Adjourned.

FRIDAY, April 9, 1886.

Met according to adjournment.

Enacted Bills to
Governor.

The following bills, having passed their final stage, were laid before the Governor for his approval, to wit:—

To confirm the proceedings of the Third Congregational Society in Cambridge, and to authorize said society to convey to the trustees of donations to the Protestant Episcopal Church certain real estate;

Resolve.

To incorporate the Plainville Water Company; also
A resolve relative to the establishment of an Arbor Day.

Food and drugs.

Mr. Harlow, from the committee on Public Health, on an order in relation to the subject, reported a bill concerning the adulteration of food and drugs.

Insane Married
Men.

Mr. Dunbar, from the committee on the Judiciary, on an order in relation to the subject, reported a bill to authorize the release of estates of tenancy by curtesy by the guardian of an insane married man.

Worcester.

Mr. Jefferson, from the committee on Railroads, on the petition of the Providence and Worcester Railroad Company, reported a bill to authorize the Providence and Worcester Railroad Company and the Norwich and Worcester Railroad Company to cross certain tracks in Worcester and to provide for the erection and maintenance of automatic signals in connection therewith, and these bills were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Boston.

Petitions, etc., were presented and referred as follows:—

By Mr. Wilbur, a petition of William H. Lincoln and others in aid of that of the Park Commissioners of the city of Boston and of the mayor of said city.

Referred to the committee on Cities.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Seduction.

By Mr. Morse, petitions of
 Henrietta Heinyen and others ;
 P. C. Page and others ;
 John Sullivan and others ;
 Mrs. J. H. Nottage and others ;
 E. M. Faxon and others ;
 M. E. Goodwin and others ;
 S. Ada Blanchard and others ;
 L. F. Kittredge and others ;
 Mrs. F. S. Banks and others ;
 Emma P. Loud and others ;
 Lillie E. Davis and others ;
 Mary A. Fellows and others ;
 Annie R. Brown and others ;
 E. L. Littlehale and others ; and
 Amory Fisher and others, for additional legislation to
 punish the crime of seduction and to raise the age of
 consent.

Severally to the committee on the Judiciary.

Papers from the House.

A resolution concerning the obstruction to the passage ^{Shad.}
 of shad in the Connecticut River, on the petition of F. H.
 Morton and others, was read and adopted in concurrence
 under a suspension of the rules.

Remonstrances of

J. W. Mullen and others, employees of the Crocker ^{Hours of Labor.}
 Manufacturing Company of Holyoke ;
 Carrie D. Haynes and 184 others, employees of the
 Newell Bros.' Manufacturing Company of Springfield ;
 C. Chapin and 35 others, employees of the Union Paper
 Manufacturing Company of Holyoke ;
 The Germania Mills of Holyoke ;
 The Holyoke Warp Company ;
 Thomas Chalmers and others, employees of the Nonotuck
 Paper Company of Holyoke ;
 Mary Barnes and 24 others, employees of the Franklin
 Paper Company of Holyoke ;
 Daniel Cahill and 23 others, employees of the Valley
 Paper Company of Holyoke ;
 Laura Shuttleworth and 47 others, female employees of
 the Morgan Envelope Company of Springfield ;
 George B. Holbrook and 23 others, employees of the
 Beebe & Holbrook Company of Holyoke ;

William W. Wilson and 27 others, employees of the Newton Paper Company of Holyoke ;

James Ramage and 9 others, employees of the Chemical Paper Company of Holyoke ;

Mary Shea and 42 others, employees of the Dickinson Hard Rubber Company of Springfield ;

John Heffron and 109 others, employees of the Winona Paper Company of Holyoke ; and

James Wallace and 28 others, employees of the Hampshire Paper Company of South Hadley Falls, severally against legislation prohibiting more than six and one-half hours' work on Saturday for women and minors under eighteen years.

Severally placed on file.

Judicial Statistics and divorce.

A report of the joint committee on the Judiciary, that it is inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to the collection of judicial statistics and statistics of divorces prior to the year 1860, was read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow.

Roll-call.

On motion of Mr. Cogswell, a roll-call of the Senate was had, and the following named Senators were present and answered to their names, to wit : —

Messrs. Alger,	Boynton,	Cogswell,
Douglas,	Dunbar,	Emerson,
Forbes,	Gove,	Harlow,
Howard,	Howland,	Jefferson,
Jefts,	Jones, F. W.,	Joslin,
Kendricken,	Lilley,	Locke,
Milliken,	Morse,	Murphy,
Naphen,	Nourse,	Scott,
Tappan,	Wilbur. — 26.	

ABSENT.

Messrs. Bigelow,	Gleason,	Gould,
Gunn,	Hayes,	Jones, E. D. G.,
Joyner,	McGahey,	Morrill,
Norris,	Phillips,	Reed,
Walker. — 18.		

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

Evening High Schools.

The bill for the establishment of evening high schools in certain cities was ordered to be placed first in the Orders of the Day for Thursday, April 15th.

The bill relating to the covering and guarding of certain machinery of factories, shops and other buildings was, in accordance with the report of the committee thereon, rejected. Machinery in Factories.

The bill to establish the salaries of the standing justice and clerk of the police court at Lowell was read a third time. Lowell Police Court.

Mr. Lilley moved to amend the bill as follows : — Strike out from line 3, section 1, the words “two hundred,” and insert in the place thereof the words “five hundred ;” also to strike out from line 2, in section 2, the word “fourteen,” and insert in the place thereof the word “eighteen.”

And the question on this motion was determined as follows, to wit : —

YEAS. — Messrs. Cogswell, Gove, Jefts, Lilley, Naphen,	Dunbar, Howard, Jones, F. W., Locke, Scott,	Forbes, Howland, Kendricken, Morse, Tappan. — 15.
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NAYS. — Messrs. Alger, Milliken,	Boynton, Nourse. — 5.	Jefferson,
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ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Bigelow, Gould, Jones, E. D. G., Morrill, Reed. — 13.	Douglas, Gunn, Joyner, Norris,	Gleason, Hayes, McGahay, Phillips,
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PAIRED. — Mr. Walker (yea) with Mr. Wilbur (nay). Mr. Murphy (yea) with Mr. Joslin (nay). Mr. Emerson (yea) with Mr. Harlow (nay). — 6.

So the amendment was adopted, and the bill as amended passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

The Senate bill to establish the salary of the standing justice of the First District Court of Eastern Middlesex, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed. District Court.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The bills

To establish the District Court of Western Hampden ; Bills.

To establish the salary of the Judge of the Probate Court for the county of Middlesex;

To establish the salary of the Judge of the Probate Court for the county of Plymouth;

To establish the salary of the Judge of the Probate Court for the county of Hampden;

To provide for the transportation of shipwrecked seamen in certain cases;

For the protection of the fisheries in Buzzard's Bay; and the

Resolves.

Resolves

In favor of Benjamin C. Lincoln;

In favor of the town of Monroe;

Concerning the income of the Massachusetts School Fund; and

In favor of the New England Industrial School for Deaf-Mutes, were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

**Barnstable and
Mashpee.
Bluefish.**

The bill to prohibit the seining of bluefish in the waters of Vineyard Sound opposite the towns of Barnstable and Mashpee, was read a second time, and the question on ordering the same to a third reading was determined as follows, to wit: —

YEAS. — Messrs. Alger,	Boynton,	Cogswell,
Douglas,	Dunbar,	Forbes,
Gove,	Howard,	Jefferson,
Jefts,	Kendricken,	Lilley,
Locke,	Morse,	Murphy,
Naphen,	Nourse,	Scott,
Tappan,	Wilbur. — 20.	

NAY.— Mr. Milliken. — 1.

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Bigelow,	Emerson,	Gleason,
Gould,	Gunn,	Harlow,
Hayes,	Howland,	Jones, E. D. G.,
Jones, F. W.,	Joslin,	Joyner,
McGahey,	Morrill,	Norris,
Phillips,	Reed,	Walker. — 18.

So the bill was ordered to a third reading.

**Vineyard
Haven.**

The bill to incorporate the Village Cemetery Association of Vineyard Haven, was read a second time, and the question on ordering the bill to a third reading was determined as follows, to wit: —

YEAS. — Messrs. Alger,	Boynton,	Cogswell,
Douglas,	Dunbar,	Forbes,
Gove,	Howard,	Howland,
Jefferson,	Jefts,	Kendricken,
Lilley,	Locke,	Milliken,
Morse,	Murphy,	Naphen,
Nourse,	Scott,	Tappan,
Wilbur. — 22.		

NAYS. — None.

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Bigelow,	Emerson,	Gleason,
Gould,	Gunn,	Harlow,
Hayes,	Jones, E. D. G.,	Jones, F. W.,
Joslin,	Joyner,	McGahey,
Morrill,	Norris,	Phillips,
Reed,	Walker. — 17.	

So the bill was ordered to a third reading.

The bill to incorporate the Dennis and Yarmouth Improvement Company was read a second time, and the question being on ordering the same to a third reading, it was determined as follows, to wit : —

Dennis and
Yarmouth.

YEAS. — Messrs. Alger,	Boynton,	Cogswell,
Douglas,	Dunbar,	Forbes,
Gove,	Howard,	Howland,
Jefferson,	Jefts,	Kendricken,
Locke,	Milliken,	Morse,
Murphy,	Naphen,	Scott. — 18.

NAYS. — Messrs. Lilley,	Nourse,	Tappan,
Wilbur. — 4.		

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Bigelow,	Emerson,	Gleason,
Gould,	Gunn,	Harlow,
Hayes,	Jones, E. D. G.,	Jones, F. W.,
Joslin,	Joyner,	McGahey,
Morrill,	Norris,	Phillips,
Reed,	Walker. — 17.	

So the bill was ordered to a third reading.

The report of the committee on Towns, on the petition of J. L. Worthy and others, that the town of West Springfield be annexed to the city of Springfield, was passed over.

J. L. Worthy
et al.

Reports.

The House reports

Of the committee on Agriculture, on an order relative to amending section 94 of chapter 102 of the Public Statutes, by striking out the words "worrying, wounding or killing neat cattle, sheep or lambs;" and

On an order relative to contagious diseases among cattle, horses and other domestic animals; and

Of the joint committee on the Judiciary, on an order relative to defining the rights of riparian proprietors of water-courses, and mills, dams and reservoirs; and

Of the committee on Public Service, on an order relative to regulating by law vacations for persons in the employ of the Commonwealth, were severally accepted in concurrence.

Bills Enacted and Resolves Passed.

Bills enacted
and to Gov-
ernor.

The following engrossed bills (the first five of which originated in the Senate) passed to be enacted, to wit:—

To change a portion of the line of the sea-wall of the Public Park in the city of Boston known as the Charles River Embankment.

To establish the salary of the county treasurer of Worcester County.

Relating to the salaries of certain court officers in the county of Suffolk.

To amend the charter of the Massachusetts General Hospital.

To establish the salary of the county treasurer of Essex County.

To authorize the Franklin Typographical Society to hold additional real and personal estate.

In relation to the fees for the services of appraisers and other persons appointed under legal process.

In relation to the sale of real estate by executors and administrators at private sale.

To establish the salaries of the constables of the Municipal Court of the Charlestown District of the city of Boston.

To incorporate the Cohasset Water Company.

In addition to An Act to supply the towns of Rockland, Abington and South Abington with water.

Resolves
passed.

The following engrossed resolves (both of which originated in the House) passed, and, with the above-named bills, were laid before the Governor for his approval, to wit:—

Relating to the protection of brakemen on freight trains.

In favor of Catharine Mullins.

Adjourned.

MONDAY, April 12, 1886.

Met according to adjournment.

Mr. Phillips, from the committee on Towns, on the Leyden. petition of Lucius P. Chapin and others, reported a bill to annex a part of the town of Leyden to the town of Bernardston, and the same was read and ordered to a second reading.

Mr. Wilbur, from the committee on Cities, on the Wm. R. Plunkett et als. petition of William R. Plunkett and others of the town of Pittsfield for a city charter for said town, reported that the petitioners have leave to withdraw.

Mr. Gleason, from the committee on Agriculture, on the Transportation of Live Stock. order relative to railroad transportation of live stock, reported that it is inexpedient to legislate thereon, and these reports were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow.

Petitions were presented and referred as follows : —

Seduction.

By Mr. Morse, petitions of
 Mrs. A. C. Thompson and others ;
 Martha E. Cutter and others ;
 Jane E. Wright and others ;
 Mrs. A. P. Slocum and others ;
 Mrs. A. A. Williams and others ;
 Mrs. Geo. E. Dustin and others ;
 Mrs. W. E. Pevear and others ;
 Emily A. Doherty and others ;
 Mary F. Doane and others ; and
 L. G. Gibson and others, for additional legislation to punish the crime of seduction and to raise the age of consent.

Severally to the committee on the Judiciary.

*Papers from the House.***Bills****Lawrence.**

To change the name of the Tower Hill Congregational Society of Lawrence (on the petition of said society); and

**South Boston
Gas Light Co.**

To authorize the South Boston Gas Light Company to increase its capital stock (on the petition of Benjamin Dean, president of said company), were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Fees, costs, etc.

A bill relating to the returns of fees, costs, fines, forfeitures and other moneys by certain officers, was read and referred to the committee on the Treasury.

Reports**Reports.**

Of the committee on Water Supply, reference to the next General Court, on the petition of the Revere Water Company for authority to increase its water supply from the waters of Suntauge Lake or Humphrey's Pond in Lynnfield and Peabody; and

Granting leave to withdraw

Of the committee on Drainage, on the petition of the selectmen and citizens of Winthrop, that the town of Winthrop may be authorized to raise money for sewerage purposes; and

Of the committee on Taxation, on the petition of the Mexican Central Railroad Company for relief from certain alleged unjust taxation; and

Of the committee on Taxation, that it is inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to the taxation of the franchise and capital stock of corporations organized in this Commonwealth to construct and operate railways in foreign countries, were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow.

**Lucretia D.
Durgin.**

A petition of Lucretia D. Durgin, widow and administratrix, for compensation for filling certain lands and flats of the Commonwealth at Prison Point, was referred in concurrence, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule, to the committee on Claims.

The following House order was adopted in concurrence:—

Boston.

Ordered, That the committee on Cities be requested to make a report, on or before Thursday next, on the matter of the new division of wards in the city of Boston.

Bills Enacted.

The following engrossed bills (the first of which originated in the Senate) passed to be enacted, and were laid before the Governor for his approval, to wit: —

Bills enacted
and to Gov.
ernor.

To authorize the Naumkeag Street Railway Company to issue mortgage bonds.

Authorizing actions of tort against street railway corporations for loss of life by negligence.

Granting additional powers to the Cottage City Gas Company.

Making appropriations for expenses authorized the present year, and for certain other expenses authorized by law.

The bill to provide for enlarging the jail and house of correction at New Bedford, in the county of Bristol, came up, passed to be engrossed in concurrence, amended as follows: —

New Bedford
Jail.

In lines 5 and 6 of section 1, strike out the words "which shall contain not less than two hundred and fifty cells," and insert in place thereof the words "Said jail and house of correction shall contain not less than two hundred and ninety-six cells, including those in the part of the prison now used by female prisoners," and the Senate concurred therein.

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

The Senate report of the committee on Towns, on the petition of J. L. Worthy and others, that the town of West Springfield be annexed to the city of Springfield, was accepted.

J. L. Worthy
et als.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The Senate bills

Bills.

Concerning the adulteration of food and drugs;

To authorize the release of estates of tenancy by curtesy by the guardian of an insane married man;

To authorize the Providence and Worcester Railroad Company and the Norwich and Worcester Railroad Company to cross certain tracks in Worcester, and to provide for the erection and maintenance of automatic signals in connection therewith, were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

District Court. The Senate bill to establish the District Court of Western Hampden, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Probate Courts. The Senate bills
To establish the salary of the Judge of the Probate Court for the county of Middlesex;

To establish the salary of the Judge of the Probate Court for the county of Plymouth; and

To establish the salary of the Judge of the Probate Court for the county of Hampden, were severally referred to the committee on the Treasury.

Barnstable and Mashpee.

The Senate bill to prohibit the seining of bluefish in the waters of Vineyard Sound opposite the towns of Barnstable and Mashpee, was read a third time, amended, on motion of Mr. Howland, and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Vineyard Haven.

The Senate bill to incorporate the Village Cemetery Association of Vineyard Haven, was read a third time, and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Buzzard's Bay.

The Senate bill for the protection of the fisheries in Buzzard's Bay, was read a third time, and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Benjamin C. Lincoln.

The Senate resolve in favor of Benjamin C. Lincoln, was read a third time, and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Deaf Mutes.

The Senate resolve in favor of the New England Industrial School for Deaf-Mutes, was read a third time, and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Dennis and Yarmouth.

The House bill to incorporate the Dennis and Yarmouth Improvement Company; and

The House resolves

Resolves.

In favor of the town of Monroe; and

Concerning the income of the Massachusetts School Fund, were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

The House report

Of the joint committee on the Judiciary, on an order Judicial Statistics. relative to the collection of judicial statistics and statistics of divorces prior to 1860, was accepted in concurrence.

Adjourned.

TUESDAY, April 13, 1886.

Met according to adjournment.

Mr. Murphy introduced certain resolutions relative to Ireland. Home Rule in Ireland, and the same were read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow.

Mr. Wilbur, from the committee on Cities, on the petition of the city of Holyoke, reported a bill to exempt the city of Holyoke from the provisions of section one of chapter three hundred and twelve of the acts of the year eighteen hundred and eighty-five, relative to the limitation of taxation in cities, and the same was read and ordered to a second reading. Holyoke.

Mr. Morrill, from the committee on the Treasury, on Fees, costs, etc. the House bill relating to the returns of fees, costs, fines, forfeitures and other moneys by certain officers, reported that the same ought to pass, and it was ordered to a second reading.

Mr. Douglas, from the committee on the Treasury, on Probate Courts, Judges of. the Senate bills to establish the salary of the Judge of the Probate Court for the county of Middlesex; and

To establish the salary of the Judge of the Probate Court for the county of Plymouth; and

Mr. Morrill, from the same committee, on the Senate bill to establish the salary of the Judge of the Probate Court for the county of Hampden, reported that these bills severally ought to pass, and having been previously read twice, they were placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow for a third reading.

Petitions were presented and referred as follows : —

Nelson W.
Green.

By Mr. Wilbur, a petition of Nelson W. Green for compensation for the use by the Commonwealth of a machine invented by him and known as "the driven well," under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule, to the committee on Claims.

Boston & Lowell
Railroad Cor-
poration.

By Mr. Cogswell, a petition of Matthew Robson and others in aid of the petition of the Boston and Lowell Railroad Corporation for authority to build a branch to connect the Mystic branch with the Salem and Lowell Railroad ;

To the committee on Railroads.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Seduction.

By Mr. Morse, petitions of
Mrs. J. C. Stoddard and others ;
Mrs. H. C. Moore and others ;
Mary E. Glover and others ;
Mrs. Emma Mansfield and others ;
Mrs. Ellen S. Nason and others ;
Mrs. Mary L. Harlow and others ;
Mrs. N. J. Mead and others ;
Fannie Parker and others ; and
Mrs. J. F. Davine and others ;

By Mr. Morrill, petitions of
A. E. Goss and others ;
George M. Smith and others ; and
F. F. Waters and others ;

By Mr. Gunn, petitions of
F. D. Kellogg and others ; and
Cyrus A. Stowell and others ; and

By Mr. Jefts, a petition of the town of Acton, severally for additional legislation to punish the crime of seduction and to raise the age of consent ;

To the committee on the Judiciary.

Papers from the House.

North River.

A bill in addition to An Act to regulate the taking of fish in North River in the county of Plymouth, on the petition of Israel H. Hatch and others, was read and ordered to a second reading.

A bill relating to the annual collection of statistics of manufactures, on so much of the Governor's Address as relates to census and industrial statistics, was read and referred to the committee on the Treasury. Statistics of Manufactures.

Order Adopted.

The following House order was adopted in concurrence:—

Ordered, That the sergeant-at-arms make suitable arrangements for a visit of the officers and members of the Legislature, the legislative reporters and engineers of the work, to the Boston main drainage works on Friday, April 16, 1886. No expenses of any other persons invited to be included or paid. Boston Main Drainage Works.

Bills Enacted and Resolve Passed.

The following engrossed bills (both of which originated in the House) passed to be enacted, to wit:— Bills enacted and to Governor.

To provide for the charge of certain public lands by the Board of Harbor and Land Commissioners.

In relation to the duties and rights of purchasers of railroads sold under foreclosure of mortgage, and of their grantees and successors in title.

An engrossed resolve providing for moving and repairing the barn, for the erection of a stable and sheds and a building for the storage of coal, at the State workhouse at Bridgewater (which originated in the Senate), passed, and with the above-named bills was laid before the Governor for his approval.

A report of the committee on Towns, granting leave to withdraw, on the petition of T. F. Boylen and others of Revere for the annexation of the northerly portion of said town to the city of Malden, was read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow. T. F. Boylen et als.

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

The bill to provide for the transportation of shipwrecked seamen in certain cases, was read a third time, and passed to be engrossed in a new draft submitted by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading. Shipwrecked Seamen.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Bills.**The bills**

To annex a part of the town of Leyden to the town of Bernardston ;

To change the name of the Tower Hill Congregational Society of Lawrence ; and

To authorize the South Boston Gas Light Company to increase its capital stock, were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Food and drugs.

The Senate bill concerning the adulteration of food and drugs, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Estates of Tenancy.

The Senate bill to authorize the release of estates of tenancy by curtesy by the guardian of an insane married man, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Providence & Worcester Railroad Company.

The Senate bill to authorize the Providence and Worcester Railroad Company and the Norwich and Worcester Railroad Company to cross certain tracks in Worcester, and to provide for the erection and maintenance of automatic signals in connection therewith, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Reports.**The Senate report**

Of the committee on Cities, on the petition of William R. Plunkett and others of the town of Pittsfield for a city charter for said town, was accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

The Senate report

Of the committee on Agriculture, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to railroad transportation of live stock, was accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The House reports

Of the committee on Water Supply, on the petition of the Revere Water Company for authority to increase its water supply from the waters of Suntauge Lake or Humphrey's Pond in Lynnfield and Peabody ;

Of the committee on Drainage, on the petition of the selectmen and citizens of Winthrop that the town of Winthrop may be authorized to raise money for sewerage purposes ;

Of the committee on Taxation, on an order relative to the taxation of the franchise and capital stock of corporations organized in this Commonwealth to construct and operate railways in foreign countries ; and

Of the same committee, on the petition of the Mexican Central Railroad Company for relief from certain alleged unjust taxation, were severally accepted in concurrence.

Adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, April 14, 1886.

Met according to adjournment.

Mr. Milliken, from the committee on Street Railways, on the petition of the Highland Street Railway Company, reported a bill to authorize certain street railway companies to lease and to purchase and hold the property, rights and franchises of, and to unite and consolidate with, each other, and to establish and maintain the cable system of motive power, and the same was read and ordered to a second reading.

Street Railway
Companies.

Mr. Nourse, from the committee on Public Service, on so much of the Governor's Address as relates to the public service, reported that no legislation is necessary thereon.

Reports.

And on the orders

Relative to abolishing any offices that may be found unnecessary and of requiring fees received by public officers to be paid into the public treasury, and of reducing any salaries that may be higher than the service and responsibility of the office warrant ;

Relative to such legislation as shall the better equalize, whether by increase or otherwise, the salaries of the clerks of different grades of the several departments of the Commonwealth ; and

Relative to a revision of the laws regarding the compensation of all officers, clerks and employees of the Commonwealth and of the several counties thereof, severally that it is inexpedient to legislate thereon ;

Mr. Dunbar, from the joint committee on the Judiciary, on the petitions of E. C. Butler and others for the setting off of Beverly, Topsfield and Danvers from the jurisdiction

F. C. Butler
et al.

of the First District Court of Essex County, reported that the petitions be referred to the next General Court; and

Holyoke and
Chicopee.

Mr. Bigelow, from the committee on Roads and Bridges, on the petition of the selectmen of the town of Chicopee and 800 citizens and legal voters of Holyoke and Chicopee for a free bridge across the Connecticut River, between Holyoke and Willimansett in the town of Chicopee, reported that the petitioners have leave to withdraw, and these reports were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow.

Petitions were presented and referred as follows:—

Cambridge.

By Mr. Alger, a petition of William E. Russell, mayor of Cambridge, for the amendment of an act passed by the present Legislature relating to the revision of the ward boundaries and the appointment of members of the common council in the city of Cambridge, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule, to the committee on Cities.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Seduction.

By Mr. Morse, petitions of
Mrs. A. E. Batchelder and others;
Mrs. G. L. Long and others;
Mrs. Emma W. Moors and others;
Mary E. Knowles and others;
T. Hable and others;
Rev. S. T. Patterson and others; and
Marcellus Coggan and others; and

By Mr. Nourse, a petition of the officers and members of the Rollstone Congregational Church and Society, and the Ashburnham Woman's Christian Temperance Union, severally for additional legislation to punish the crime of seduction and to raise the age of consent;

To the committee on the Judiciary.

Providence &
Worcester Rail-
road Company.

The vote by which the Senate, yesterday, passed to be engrossed the bill to authorize the Providence and Worcester Railroad Company and the Norwich and Worcester Railroad Company to cross certain tracks in Worcester, and to provide for the erection and maintenance of automatic signals in connection therewith, was reconsidered, and the question being upon passing the bill to be engrossed, it was amended on motion of Mr. Norris, and again passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

*Papers from the House.***Bills**

Providing for reports of accidents which occur in factories and manufacturing establishments (on an order in relation to the subject); and

To change the name of the Trustees of the Episcopal Clerical Fund and to enable said corporation to hold additional real and personal estate (on the petition of the same), were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Reports, granting leave to withdraw,

On the petition of G. H. Manning and others for legislation defining the right of telegraph and telephone companies to maintain poles and lines of wire in public highways;

On the petition of George A. Marden and others, that the American Bell Telephone Company be prohibited from holding more than thirty per cent. of the stock of any sub-company in which it does not now own more than that proportion;

On the petition of W. Lamson and others, that rates charged by companies manufacturing, leasing and selling, and licensing other companies to use and lease telephones, be fixed and established by law;

On the petition of F. W. Stickney and others, that the right of the Bell Telephone Company to hold stock in other telephone companies may be limited; and

Of the committee on Water Supply, on the petition of Nathaniel B. Mansfield and another for an act of incorporation as the Manchester Water Company; and

Reports that it is inexpedient to legislate

Of the joint committee on the Judiciary, on an order relative to placing foreign insurance companies under the same legal restrictions that are now imposed upon home insurance companies;

Of the committee on Street Railways, on an order relative to the redemption of certain unused car tickets and checks issued by street railway corporations;

Of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, on an order relative to uniform charges for the use of telephones and telephone service at the American Bell and other telephone companies, and relative to placing said companies under control of the railroad commissioners; and

Factories, etc.

Episcopal Clerical Fund.

G. H. Manning et al.

Geo. A. Marden et al.

W. Lamson et al.

F. W. Stickney et al.

N. B. Mansfield et al.

Foreign Insurance Companies.

Street Railway Corporations.

Telephones and Telephone service.

Telegraph Companies. On an order relative to placing telegraph companies, including railroad signal offices, more fully under State supervision and inspection, were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow.

Women charged with crime. A bill to provide for the assistance of women charged with crime whose cases are disposed of without sentence; and

Anne D. Burgess. A resolve in favor of Anne Deighen Burgess of Boston, were severally read and referred to the committee on the Treasury.

The following papers were referred in concurrence:—

Lenox. A report of the committee on Drainage, granting leave to withdraw, on the petition of the selectmen of Lenox for authority to establish a system of sewage disposal for said town, for the reason that the petitioners have not complied with the provisions of chapter 24 of the Acts of 1885, was recommitted, with instructions to hear the parties after giving such notice as the committee may deem proper.

Insurance. The thirty-first annual report of the Insurance Commissioner;
To the committee on Insurance.

Boston & Lowell Railroad Corporation. A petition of Benj. F. Rogers and 1,083 others of Salem in aid of that of the Boston and Lowell Railroad for power to build a branch connecting the Mystic branch with the Salem and Lowell Railroad at Peabody;
To the committee on Railroads.

Registered female voters. A return of the number of registered female voters for school committee for the years 1881 to 1885 inclusive, and also the number who have exercised the privilege of voting;
To the committee on Woman Suffrage.

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

Ireland, Home Rule. The resolutions relative to Home Rule in Ireland, were amended and adopted.
Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Holyoke. The bills
To exempt the city of Holyoke from the provisions of section one of chapter three hundred and twelve of the acts of the year eighteen hundred and eighty-five, relative to the limitation of taxation in cities;

In addition to An Act to regulate the taking of fish in North River. North River in the county of Plymouth; and

Relating to the returns of fees, costs, fines, forfeitures Fees, etc. and other moneys by certain officers, were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The bills

To change the name of the Tower Hill Congregational Lawrence. Society of Lawrence; and

To authorize the South Boston Gas Light Company to South Boston Gas Light Co. increase its capital stock, were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

The Senate bill to establish the salary of the Judge of Middlesex County. the Probate Court for the county of Middlesex, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The Senate bill to establish the salary of the Judge of Plymouth County. the Probate Court for the county of Plymouth, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The Senate bill to establish the salary of the Judge of Hampden County. the Probate Court for the county of Hampden, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The House report of the committee on Towns, on the T. F. Boylen et al. petition of T. F. Boylen and others of Revere for the annexation of the northerly portion of said town to the city of Malden, was accepted in concurrence.

Adjourned.

THURSDAY, April 15, 1886.

Met according to adjournment.

Mr. Dunbar, from the committee on Election Laws, on Ballots, recount of. an order in relation to the subject, reported a bill to provide for a recount of ballots cast at elections held in towns;

The same Senator, from the same committee on orders Towns, precinct voting in. relating to the subject, reported a bill to provide for precinct voting in towns;

Worcester.

Mr. Norris, from the committee on Railroads, to whom was recommitted a report of the same committee on the petition of the city of Worcester for authority to remove a railroad track from Foster Street in said city, reported a bill relative to changing or discontinuing the railroad track in Foster Street in the city of Worcester ;

**Marblehead Gas
Light Co.**

Mr. Jefts, from the committee on Manufactures, on the petition of the Marblehead Gas Light Company, reported a bill to grant additional powers to the Marblehead Gas Light Company, and to change its name ; and

Canton.

Mr. Scott, from the committee on Water Supply, on the petition of A. R. Holmes and others, reported a bill in addition to An Act to supply the town of Canton with water, and these bills were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

**Statistics of
Manufactures.**

Mr. Morrill, from the committee on the Treasury, on the House bill relating to the annual collection of statistics of manufactures, reported that the same ought to pass, and it was ordered to a second reading.

**Agricultural
College.**

Mr. Howland, from the committee on Agriculture, on so much of the Governor's Address as relates to agriculture, reported a resolve in favor of the Massachusetts Agricultural College, and the same was read and referred to the committee on the Treasury.

Truant schools.

Mr. Forbes, from the committee on Education, on an order concerning repealing section 14 of chapter 48 of the Public Statutes relative to the establishment of county truant schools and union county truant schools ; and

**Boards of
Health.**

Mr. Emerson, from the committee on Public Health, on the order relative to increasing the powers and authority of boards of health in preventing the spread of contagious diseases, severally reported that it is inexpedient to legislate thereon, and these reports were read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow.

Petitions were presented and referred as follows : —

Seduction.

By Mr. Morse, petitions of
Augusta P. Wales and others ;
Mrs. Addie Edson and others ; and
By Mr. Forbes, a petition of
C. A. Merrill and others, for additional legislation to

punish the crime of seduction and to raise the age of consent ;

Severally to the committee on the Judiciary.

Papers from the House.

A resolve providing for certain repairs and improvements at the State Normal School at Worcester, was read and referred to the committee on the Treasury.

State Normal School.

Reports of the committee on Street Railways, leave to withdraw, for want of legal notice, on the petition of the North Woburn Street Railway Company for an amendment of its charter ;

North Woburn Street Railway Company.

On the petition of Thomas H. Bacon and others for incorporation as the California Cable Railway Company ; and

California Cable Company.

On the petition of M. C. Warren & Co. and others for an act of incorporation as the City Elevated Railroad Company, were severally recommitted, in concurrence, with instructions to hear the petitioners, on giving such notice as the committee may deem necessary.

City Elevated R.R. Co.

Bills Enacted and Resolves Passed.

The following engrossed bills (the first six of which originated in the Senate) passed to be enacted, to wit : —

Bills enacted and to Governor.

To extend the time within which the Charles River Embankment Company shall perform certain work, and fixing the amount of material for filling to be dredged from the Charles River basin.

To declare women eligible to serve as Overseers of the Poor.

Relative to the returns to be made to the Commissioners of Corporations by the New England Conservatory of Music.

To provide for enlarging the jail and house of correction at New Bedford, in the county of Bristol.

To authorize the Greylock Park Association to increase its capital stock and to make rules for the care and use of its property.

To establish the salary of the justice of the police court of Holyoke.

To establish the salaries of the constables attending the municipal courts of the Brighton and West Roxbury Districts of the city of Boston.

Relating to sessions of the Probate Court for the County of Hampshire.

Resolves passed,
etc.

The following engrossed resolves (the first two of which originated in the Senate) passed, and, with the above-named bills, were laid before the Governor for his approval, to wit:—

Providing for the completion of certain buildings and for the construction of a chapel at Westborough for the Lyman School for Boys.

Providing for the publication of additional copies of the Reports of Cases of Contested Elections, for the future publication of such cases, and for the compensation of the editors thereof.

In favor of the Massachusetts Agricultural College.

The 12th Joint Rule was suspended in concurrence to admit the following order:—

Issuing of writs.

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of legislation relative to the issuing of writs and other process by the clerks of the Supreme Judicial Court and the Superior Court, and the order was returned to the House of Representatives.

Adjournment.

On motion of Mr. Kendricken,—

Ordered, That when the Senate adjourns it be to meet on Monday next at two o'clock P. M.

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

Evening High
Schools.

The bill for the establishment of evening high schools in certain cases, was recommitted to the committee on Education with instructions to hear all parties interested who desire to be heard.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Leyden.

The Senate bill to annex a part of the town of Leyden to the town of Bernardston, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Street Railway
Companies.

The bills

To authorize certain street railway companies to lease and to purchase and hold the property, rights and franchises of, and to unite and consolidate with each other, and to

establish and maintain the cable system of motive power ;
and

To change the name of the Trustees of the Episcopal Clerical Fund and to enable said corporation to hold additional real and personal estate, were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading. Episcopal Clerical Fund.

The House bill providing for reports of accidents which occur in factories and manufacturing establishments was read a second time, and the question on ordering the same to a third reading was determined as follows, to wit : — Factories and manufacturing establishments.

YEAS. — Messrs. Alger,	Cogswell,	Douglas,
Dunbar,	Emerson,	Forbes,
Gould,	Howard,	Howland,
Lilley,	McGahey,	Murphy,
Naphen,	Reed,	Scott,
Walker. — 16.		

NAYS. — Messrs. Boynton,	Gleason,	Gove,
Gunn,	Harlow,	Jefferson,
Jefts,	Kendricken,	Locke,
Milliken,	Morrill,	Morse,
Norris,	Nourse,	Phillips,
Wilbur. — 16.		

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING

Messrs. Bigelow,	Hayes,	Jones, E. D. G.,
Jones, F. W.,	Joslin,	Joyner,
Tappan. — 7.		

So the bill was refused a third reading.

The Senate bill to exempt the city of Holyoke from the provisions of section one of chapter three hundred and twelve of the acts of the year eighteen hundred and eighty-five relative to the limitation of taxation in cities, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed. Holyoke.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The House bills

In addition to An Act to regulate the taking of fish in North River. North River in the county of Plymouth ; and

Relating to the returns of fees, costs, fines, forfeitures and other moneys by certain officers, were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence. Fees, etc.

The Senate reports

Of the committee on Public Service, on so much of the Governor's Address as relates to the public service ; Reports.

Reports.

On the order relative to abolishing any offices that may be found unnecessary and of requiring fees received by public officers to be paid into the public treasury, and of reducing any salaries that may be higher than the service and responsibility of the office warrant; and

On the order relative to such legislation as shall the better equalize, whether by increase or otherwise, the salaries of the clerks of different grades of the several departments of the Commonwealth; and

Of the committee on Roads and Bridges, on the petition of the selectmen of the town of Chicopee and 800 citizens and legal voters of Holyoke and Chicopee for a free bridge across the Connecticut River between Holyoke and Wilimansett in the town of Chicopee, were severally accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The House reports**Reports.**

Of the joint committee on the Judiciary, on an order relative to placing foreign insurance companies under the same legal restrictions that are now imposed upon home insurance companies; and

Of the committee on Water Supply, on the petition of Nathaniel B. Mansfield and another for an act of incorporation as the Manchester Water Company, were severally accepted in concurrence.

The House report of the committee on Street Railways, on an order relative to the redemption of certain unused car tickets and checks issued by street railway corporations, was passed over.

The reports

Of the committee on Public Service, on the order relative to a revision of the laws regarding the compensation of all officers, clerks and employees of the Commonwealth and of the several counties thereof;

Of the joint committee on the Judiciary, on the petitions of E. C. Butler and others for the setting off of Beverly, Topsfield and Danvers from the jurisdiction of the First District Court of Essex County; and

Of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, on an order relative to uniform charges for the use of telephones and telephone service at the American Bell and other telephone

companies, and relative to placing said companies under Reports.
control of the railroad commissioners ;

On an order relative to placing telegraph companies, including railroad signal offices, more fully under State supervision and inspection ;

On the petition of G. H. Manning and others for legislation defining the right of telegraph and telephone companies to maintain poles and lines of wire in public highways ;

On the petition of George A. Marden and others, that the American Bell Telephone Company be prohibited from holding more than thirty per cent. of the stock of any sub-company in which it does not now own more than that proportion ;

On the petition of W. Lamson and others, that rates charged by companies manufacturing, leasing and selling, and licensing other companies to use and lease, telephones be fixed and established by law ; and

On the petition of F. W. Stickney and others, that the right of the Bell Telephone Company to hold stock in other telephone companies may be limited, were severally laid on the table.

On motion of Mr. Boynton, that Senator was charged with a message to His Excellency the Governor, requesting the return to the Senate of an engrossed bill granting additional powers to the Cottage City Gas Company, and the same having been returned in compliance with the request of the Senate, it was laid on the table. Cottage City Gas Company.

Adjourned.

MONDAY, April 19, 1886.

Met according to adjournment.

The President, upon the opening of the Senate, announced the death of Hon. Stephen N. Gifford, Clerk of the Senate, which took place at his residence in Duxbury on the 18th inst. Thereupon, on motion of Mr. Norris, it was Stephen N. Gifford.

Ordered, That the President authenticate, by his signature, all proceedings of the Senate pending the appointment of a Clerk *pro tempore*. President.

Clerk pro tempore. On motion of Mr. Boynton, —
Ordered, That E. Herbert Clapp of Boston be and is hereby appointed Clerk of the Senate *pro tempore*, and the order having been adopted, he was qualified for the discharge of his duties by taking the following oath: —

Whereas, You, E. Herbert Clapp, are chosen Clerk *pro tempore* to the Senate of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you do swear that you will truly enter all the votes and orders thereof, and in all things relating to your office, that you will act faithfully and impartially according to your best skill and judgment. So help you God.

Governor. On motion of Mr. Cogswell, —
Ordered, That a committee of three be appointed to inform the Governor of the appointment of E. Herbert Clapp as Clerk *pro tempore* of the Senate, and Messrs. Cogswell, Dunbar and Joyner were appointed said committee.

House of Representatives. On motion of Mr. Howland, —
Ordered, That a committee of three be appointed to inform the House of Representatives of the appointment of E. Herbert Clapp as Clerk *pro tempore* of the Senate, and Messrs. Howland, Nourse and Howard were appointed said committee.

Intoxicating Liquors. Mr. Morse, from the committee on Woman Suffrage, on an order in relation to the subject, reported a bill relating to the right of women to vote upon the question of granting licenses for the sale of intoxicating liquors; and

Gloucester. Mr. Reed, from the committee on Cities, on the petition of Rufus N. Stanley and others, reported a bill to divide ward eight in the city of Gloucester into two voting precincts.

Malden. The same Senator, from the same committee, on the petition of the mayor of Malden, reported a bill authorizing the city of Malden to divide said city into seven wards and to abolish the office of alderman at large, and these bills were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Great Barrington Fire District. Mr. Joyner, on leave, introduced, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule, a bill to confirm the proceedings of the last annual meeting of the Great Barrington Fire

District, and the same was read and referred to the committee on the Judiciary, and the bill was sent to the House for its concurrence in the suspension of the 12th Joint Rule.

Came up concurred.

Petitions, etc., were presented and referred as follows : —

By Mr. Howland, a petition of Isaac N. Nutter and others ; and Seduction.

By Mr. Morse, petitions of

Mrs. Lizzie M. Drew and others ;

Mrs. H. E. Wilson and others ;

Mrs. P. W. Knight and others ;

Mrs. Julie White and others ; and

J. O. Knowles and others, severally for additional legislation to punish seduction and to extend the age of consent ;

To the committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. Howard moved to reconsider the vote by which the Senate refused to order to a third reading the bill providing for reports of accidents which occur in factories and manufacturing establishments, and the motion was laid on the table. Factories, etc.

Papers from the House.

A report of the committee on Election Laws, that no further legislation is necessary, on so much of the Governor's Address as relates to biennial elections and biennial sessions of the General Court, and to elections, was read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow. Biennial Elections and Sessions.

The following papers were severally referred in concurrence : —

Petitions of Benj. C. Perkins and 1,048 others, in aid of the petition of the Boston and Lowell Railroad for authority to build a branch connecting the Mystic branch with the Salem and Lowell Railroad at Peabody ; Boston & Lowell R. R. Corporation.

To the committee on Railroads.

A petition of J. B. Farrar and 272 business men and citizens of Haverhill relative to the construction of a foot- Haverhill and Bradford.

walk across the railroad bridge between Haverhill and Bradford ;

To the committee on Roads and Bridges.

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

Street Railways. The House Report of the committee on Street Railways, on an order relative to the redemption of certain unused car tickets and checks issued by street railway corporations, was considered.

Mr. Murphy moved to substitute a bill to provide for the redemption of unused checks issued by street railway companies, and the vote on that motion was taken by yeas and nays as follows, to wit : —

YEAS. — Messrs. Alger,	Cogswell,	Douglas,
Dunbar,	Gove,	Howard,
Howland,	Jefts,	Jones, F. W.,
Joyner,	Kendricken,	Locke,
McGahey,	Morrill,	Morse,
Murphy,	Nourse,	Scott,
Walker. — 19.		

NAYS. — Messrs. Bigelow,	Boynton,	Forbes,
Harlow,	Joslin,	Lilley,
Milliken,	Norris,	Reed,
Tappan,	Wilbur. — 11	

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Emerson,	Gleason,	Gould,
Gunn,	Hayes,	Jefferson,
Jones, E. D. G.,	Naphen,	Phillips. — 9.

So the bill was substituted, read and ordered to a second reading.

Bills.

The bills

To provide for a recount of ballots cast at elections held in towns ;

To provide for precinct voting in towns ;

Relative to changing or discontinuing the railroad track in Foster Street in the city of Worcester ;

To grant additional powers to the Marblehead Gas Light Company, and to change its name ; and

Relating to the annual collection of statistics of manufactures, were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Senate bill to authorize certain street railway companies to lease and to purchase and hold the property, rights and franchises of, and to unite and consolidate with, each other, and to establish and maintain the cable system of motive power, was read a third time, amended on motions, severally, of Messrs. Boynton and Milliken, and the question on passing the bill to be engrossed was taken by yeas and nays, as follows, to wit:—

Street Railway Companies.

YEAS.—Messrs. Alger,	Boynton,	Cogswell,
Dunbar,	Gove,	Harlow,
Howland,	Jefts,	Joslin,
Kendricken,	Lilley,	Locke,
Milliken,	Morrill,	Morse,
Norris,	Nourse,	Reed,
Scott,	Tappan,	Walker,
Wilbur.—22.		

NAYS.—Messrs. Douglas,	Howard,	Jones, F. W.,
McGahey,	Murphy.—5.	

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Bigelow,	Emerson,	Forbes,
Gleason,	Gould,	Gunn,
Hayes,	Jefferson,	Jones, E. D. G.,
Joyner,	Naphen,	Phillips.—12.

So the bill passed to be engrossed.

The House bill to change the name of the Trustees of the Episcopal Clerical Fund and to enable said corporation to hold additional real and personal estate, was read a third time and passed to the engrossed in concurrence.

Episcopal Clerical Fund.

The Senate report of the committee on Public Health, on the order relative to increasing the powers and authority of boards of health in preventing the spread of contagious diseases, was accepted.

Boards of Health.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The Senate report of the committee on Education, on an order relative to repealing section 14 of chapter 48 of the Public Statutes relative to the establishment of county truant schools and union county truant schools was considered, but without action thereon was passed over.

Truant Schools.

Canton.

The Senate bill in addition to an act to supply the town of Canton with water, was read twice under a suspension of the rules, and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Mr. Lilley offered the following resolutions, which were unanimously adopted:—

Stephen N. Gifford.

Whereas, The Senate has learned with profound sorrow of the death of its late Clerk, Hon. STEPHEN N. GIFFORD; therefore, it is

Resolved, That a committee to consist of five members be appointed to draft and present to the Senate resolutions expressive of its appreciation of the character and services of the deceased; and it is further

Resolved, That, as a mark of respect to his memory, the Senate attend the funeral services to be held at Duxbury on Wednesday the 21st inst., and that the President communicate to His Excellency the Governor and to the Honorable House of Representatives intelligence of the death of the late Clerk, and an invitation to be represented at the funeral services.

And Messrs. Lilley, Howland, Nourse, Wilbur and Douglas were appointed the committee to draft and present resolutions.

Adjourned.

TUESDAY, April 20, 1886.

Met according to adjournment.

Hoosac Valley
Street Railway
Company.

Mr. Milliken, from the committee on Street Railways, on the petition of S. Proctor Thayer, reported a bill to authorize the Hoosac Valley Street Railway Company to issue mortgage bonds and to transport freight over a portion of its road, and the same was read three times under a suspension of the rule and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Come up concurred.

Boston.

Mr. Wilbur, from the committee on Cities, on an order in relation to the subject, reported a bill to establish wards

and precincts in the city of Boston for the assessments of taxes for the current year, and the same was read and ordered to a second reading.

Mr. Douglas, from the committee on the Treasury, on the House bill to provide for the assistance of women charged with crime whose cases are disposed of without sentence; and Women charged with crime.

Mr. Walker, from the same committee, on the House resolve in favor of Anne Deighen Burgess of Boston; and Anne D. Burgess.

Mr. Morrill, from the same committee, on the House resolve providing for certain repairs and improvements at the State Normal School at Worcester, reported that this bill and these resolves severally ought to pass, and they were ordered to a second reading. State Normal School.

Mr. Howard, from the committee on Labor, on the petition of G. M. Harrington and others that eight hours' labor may constitute a legal day's work; and Reports.

On the bill (on leave) regarding the discharge of an employee by reason of his being a member of any association or union, reported that the petition and bill be severally referred to the next General Court, and these reports were read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow.

Petitions were presented and referred as follows:—

By Mr. Wilbur, a petition of the Mayor of Boston and the commissioners on the new Suffolk County Court House, for authority to abandon that parcel of land numbered 7 on Pemberton Square in said city, taken for the purpose of a court house; Boston, City of.

Under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule, to the committee on Cities.

By Mr. Emerson, a petition of Mr. Carey and others in aid of that of George W. Ladd and others for a foot-walk on the railroad bridge of the Boston and Maine Railroad between Haverhill and Bradford; Haverhill and Bradford.

To the committee on Roads and Bridges.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

By Mr. Reed, a petition of Frank P. Parker and others for further legislation to punish the crime of seduction and to raise the age of consent; Seduction.

To the committee on the Judiciary.

Order Adopted.

Adjournment.

On motion of Mr. Norris, —

Ordered, That when the Senate adjourns it be to meet on Thursday next at 2 o'clock P. M.Benjamin T.
Pickman.

A message was received from the Governor, forwarding a portrait of the late Honorable Benjamin T. Pickman, president of the Senate in the years 1833, 1834 and 1835, and the same was read and laid on the table.

*Papers from the House.*Lieut. A. W.
Greely.

A resolution tendering the thanks of the Commonwealth to Lieutenant Adolphus W. Greely, was read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow.

The following papers were severally referred in concurrence : —

Boston & Lowell
R. R. Corporation.

Petitions of

George Upton and 215 others ;
Alfred Prevost and 211 others ;
Joseph F. Pitman and 208 others ;
John Toomey and 215 others ;
George P. Brown and 162 others ;
J. H. Trefatter and 160 others ;
David Lomasney and 100 others ; and

John McMorrell and 75 others, severally in aid of the petition of the Boston and Lowell Railroad for power to build a branch connecting the Mystic branch with the Salem and Lowell Railroad at Peabody ;

To the committee on Railroads.

Street Railway
Companies.

On motion of Mr. Lilley, the vote by which the Senate bill to authorize certain street railway companies to lease and to purchase and hold the property, rights and franchises of, and to unite and consolidate with each other, and to establish and maintain the cable system of motive power passed to be engrossed was reconsidered.

The vote by which the amendment was adopted yesterday was also reconsidered and rejected, and the bill was amended, on motion of Mr. Lilley, and again passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Bills Enacted and Resolves Passed.

The following engrossed bills (the first five of which Bills enacted and to Governor. originated in the Senate) passed to be enacted, to wit: —

To establish the salary of the clerk of the police court of Newton.

To establish the salary of the clerk of the police court of Springfield.

To establish the salary of the justice of the police court of Lynn.

To establish the salary of the clerk of the First District Court of Southern Middlesex.

To authorize the Wakefield Water Company to issue bonds and secure the same by a mortgage on its franchise and other property.

To incorporate the Dennis and Yarmouth Improvement Company.

The following engrossed resolves (the first of which Resolves Passed, etc. originated in the Senate) passed, and with the above-named bills were laid before the Governor, for his approval: —

In favor of the Soldiers' Messenger Corps.

In favor of the town of Monroe.

Concerning the income of the Massachusetts School Fund.

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

The report of the committee on Education, on an order Truant Schools. relating to repealing section 14 of chapter 48 of the Public Statutes relative to the establishment of county truant schools and union county truant schools, was passed over.

The bill relating to the right of women to vote upon the question of granting licenses for the sale of intoxicating Intoxicating Liquors. liquors, was read a second time and passed over.

The bills

To divide ward eight in the city of Gloucester into two Gloucester. voting precincts; and

Authorizing the city of Malden to divide said city into Malden. seven wards and to abolish the office of alderman-at-large, were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Street Railway Company.

The bill to provide for the redemption of unused checks issued by street railway companies, was read a second time and refused a third reading.

Ballots.

The Senate bill to provide for recount of ballots cast at elections held in towns, was read a third time, amended, on motion of Mr. Dunbar, and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Precinct Voting.

The bill to provide for precinct voting in towns, was read a third time, amended on motion of Mr. Dunbar, and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Worcester.

The Senate bill relative to changing or discontinuing the railroad track in Foster Street in the city of Worcester, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Marblehead Gas Light Company.

The Senate bill to grant additional powers to the Marblehead Gas Light Company, and to change its name, was read a third time, amended on motion of Mr. Jefts, and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Statistics of Manufactures.

The House bill relating to the annual collection of statistics of manufactures was read a third time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Biennial Elections and Sessions.

The report of the committee on Election Laws, on so much of the Governor's Address as relates to biennial elections and biennial sessions of the General Court, and to elections, was accepted in concurrence.

Adjourned.

THURSDAY, April 22, 1886.

Met according to adjournment.

Suffolk County Court House.

Mr. Wilbur, from the committee on Cities, on the petition of the mayor of Boston and the commissioners on the new Suffolk County Court House, reported a bill to authorize the release to the former owners of a parcel of

land heretofore taken for a court house for the county of Suffolk, and the same was read and ordered to a second reading.

Mr. Emerson, from the committee on Public Health, ^{Board of Health.} on the order relative to making it compulsory for towns to annually choose boards of health, reported that it is inexpedient to legislate thereon, and the same was read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow.

Petitions were presented and referred as follows : —

By Mr. Howard, a petition of ^{Seduction.}
William S. Greene and 62 others of Fall River ;
By Mr. Howland, a petition of
Rev. Ephraim A. Hunt and 18 others of Carver ;
By Mr. Milliken, a petition of
Mary A. Church and 617 others ; and
By Mr. Morse, petitions of
Sarah G. M. Hill and others ; and
Joseph C. Tayler and others, severally for additional
legislation to punish the crime of seduction and to raise
the age of consent ;
To the committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. Lilley, from the committee appointed to draft and ^{Stephen N. Gifford.} present to the Senate resolutions expressive of its appreciation of the character and services of STEPHEN N. GIFFORD, late Clerk of the Senate, announced that the resolutions would be presented on Tuesday next, 27th inst., at the beginning of the session ; and

On motion of Mr. Cogswell, it was

Ordered, That the committee be authorized to employ a stenographer to report the proceedings on that day.

On motion of Mr. Boynton, the engrossed bill granting additional powers to the Cottage City Gas Company was taken from the table and the vote by which the bill passed to be enacted was reconsidered under a suspension of the rules, and the bill amended, on motion of the same Senator, and again passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Papers from the House.

- Bills**
Bills. To change the name of the "First Parish in Medway" to "Parish of the Church of Christ" (in a new draft of the Senate bill of the same title);
In addition to an act to incorporate the Stoneham Street Railroad Company (on the petition of the same); and
To authorize the town of Nahant to raise money to assist in the maintenance of communication by water between said Nahant and Boston (on the petition of J. T. Wilson), were severally read and ordered to a second reading.
- Bills**
Bills. Providing for publishing reports of capital trials;
Relative to the appointment of a law clerk as an assistant in the Attorney-General's department; and
For the better protection of public records, were severally read and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.
- Bills**
To provide for a State Board of Arbitration for the settlement of differences between employers and their employees (in a new draft);
Establishing the salaries of certain clerks and providing for additional clerical assistance in the department of the Insurance Commissioner (in a new draft); and
- Resolves**
Resolves. To provide for the construction of a barn and the purchase of cows, and for certain improvements and repairs at the Massachusetts Reformatory (on the Report of the Commissioners of Prisons);
In addition to a resolve granting an allowance to certain organizations for the erection of monuments on the battlefield at Gettysburg, Pennsylvania (on the Governor's Address); and
Concerning the Commonwealth's Flats at South Boston (on the Report of the Harbor and Land Commissioners), were severally read and referred to the committee on the Treasury.
- Reports**
Reports. Reports (granting leave to withdraw),
Of the committee on Expenditures, on the petition of

J. M. Waterman and another for legislation for the relief ^{Reports.} of the town of Williamstown in the matter of bonded indebtedness;

Of the committee on Agriculture, on the petition of the Massachusetts State Grange, Patrons of Husbandry, that the reports of the Secretary of the State Board of Agriculture be distributed to subordinate granges as now to agricultural societies; and

Of the committee on Taxation, on the petition of Levi C. Wade for legislation relative to the taxation of the capital stock of corporations chartered in this Commonwealth to build railways in foreign countries; and

Reports, that is inexpedient to legislate,

Of the committee on Agriculture, on an order relative to amending the law concerning the inspection and sale of milk so as to provide for the inspection and sale of cream;

Of the committee on Education, on an order relative to providing for industrial education for juvenile offenders and neglected children in the public institutions; and

Of the committee on Education, reference to the next General Court, on the petitions of Samuel C. Cobb and others for further legislation to protect insect-eating birds, were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow.

A petition of citizens of Scituate, that the town may be ^{Scituate, Town} authorized to raise and appropriate money for additional ^{of.} pay of soldiers enlisted in 1861, came up referred to the House committee on the Judiciary, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule, and the Senate concurred in the suspension of said rule, and the petition was returned to the House of Representatives.

A petition of F. W. Robinson and others for an act to ^{F. W. Robinson} incorporate the Central Congregational Church in Chelms- ^{et als.}ford, came up referred to the committee on Parishes and Religious Societies, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule, and the Senate non-concurred in the suspension of said rule, and the petition was accordingly referred to the next General Court.

A petition of George H. Pearson and 23 others, citi- ^{Philip T. Nick-}zens of Andover, in aid of the petition of Philip T. Nick- ^{erson et als.}erson and others for incorporation as the Andover Water Company, was referred in concurrence to the committee on Water Supply.

Bills Enacted.

Bills enacted
and to Gov.
ernor.

The following engrossed bills (the first of which originated in the Senate) passed to be enacted, and were laid before the Governor for his approval, to wit:—

To incorporate the Home for Aged Men and Women in Framingham.

To change the name of the Tower Hill Congregational Society of Lawrence.

To authorize the South Boston Gas Light Company to increase its capital stock.

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

Truant schools.

The report of the committee on Education, on an order relative to repealing section 14 of chapter 48 of the Public Statutes relative to the establishment of county truant schools and union county truant schools, was passed over.

Intoxicating
Liquors.

The bill relating to the right of women to vote upon the question of granting licenses for the sale of intoxicating liquors was further considered, the question being on ordering the bill to a third reading, and the vote thereon was determined as follows, to wit:—

YEAS.—Messrs. Douglas,
Morse,

Howland,
Scott.—5.

Jefferson,

NAYS.—Messrs. Alger,
Dunbar,
Jones, F. W.,
Morrill,
Norris,
Wilbur.—16.

Boynton,
Gove,
Joyner,
Murphy,
Nourse,

Cogswell,
Jones, E. D. G.,
Lilley,
Naphen,
Tappan,

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Emerson,
Harlow,
Kendricken,
Milliken,

Forbes,
Hayes,
Locke,
Phillips,

Gould,
Joslin,
McGahey,
Walker.—12.

PAIRED.—Mr. Bigelow (yea) with Mr. Gunn (nay). Mr. Jeffs (yea) with Mr. Gleason (nay). Mr. Reed (yea) with Mr. Howard (nay).

So the bill was refused a third reading.

Boston.

The Senate bill to establish wards and precincts in the city of Boston for the assessment of taxes for the current

year was read a second time. Mr. Murphy rose to a point of order which, being stated, was that the bill was not germane to the order, inasmuch as it does not provide for a new division of the city into wards as specified in the order.

Question of order.

The Chair ruled that the point of order was not well taken, for the reason that, under an order that the committee on Cities "consider the expediency of legislation amending the charter of the city of Boston providing for an increase in the number of wards, a new division of the city into wards, and providing that such division shall be made by a commission appointed by the supreme court, or some other authority, so as to secure a fair and non-partisan division," a bill making a new division of the city into wards and precincts for the single purpose of the assessment of taxes in the current year is admissible. One of the objects of the order is a new division of the city into wards for general purposes. The bill makes a new division for a single purpose only. As the greater includes the less the bill is within the scope of the order.

The question on ordering the bill to a third reading was determined as follows, to wit: —

YEAS. — Messrs. Alger,	Cogswell,	Dunbar,
Emerson,	Forbes,	Gove,
Howland,	Jefts,	Jones, E. D. G.,
Joslin,	Milliken,	Norris,
Nourse,	Tappan,	Wilbur. — 15.

NAYS. — Messrs. Douglas,	Howard,	Lilley,
Murphy,	Naphen. — 5.	

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Bigelow,	Boynton,	Gleason,
Gould,	Gunn,	Harlow,
Hayes,	Jefferson,	Joyner,
Kendricken,	Locke,	McGahey,
Morrill,	Phillips,	Reed,
Scott,	Walker. — 17.	

PAIRED. — Mr. Morse (yea) with Mr. Jones, F. W. (nay).

So the bill was ordered to a third reading.

The bill to provide for the assistance of women charged with crime whose cases are disposed of without sentence; and the

Women charged with crime.

Resolves

In favor of Anne Deighen Burgess of Boston; and

Resolves.

Providing for certain repairs and improvements at the State Normal School at Worcester, were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Lieut. A. W.
Greely.

The House resolution tendering the thanks of the Commonwealth to Lieutenant Adolphus W. Greely, was adopted in concurrence.

Gloucester,
City of.

The Senate bill to divide ward eight in the city of Gloucester into two voting precincts, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Malden, City
of.

The Senate bill authorizing the city of Malden to divide said city into seven wards and to abolish the office of alderman at large, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Reports.

The Senate reports

Of the committee on Labor, on the petition of G. M. Harrington and others that eight hours' labor may constitute a legal day's work; and

Of the committee on Labor, on the bill (on leave) regarding the discharge of an employee by reason of his being a member of any association or union, were severally accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Adjourned.

FRIDAY, April 23, 1886.

Met according to adjournment.

State House.

Mr. Joslin, from the committee on the State House, on the order relating to inquiring into the cause of the recent elevator accident, and into the safety and efficiency of the elevator service, reported a

Resolve providing for remodelling the elevators in the State House, and the same was read three times under a suspension of the rule and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

The following resolution, offered by Mr. Gunn, was adopted : —

Resolved, That His Excellency the Governor be requested to convey to Mrs. Mary Lynch of Digby, Nova Scotia, the thanks of the Senate for kindly transmitting, in accordance with the desire of her deceased father, Francis W. Pickman, Esq., the portrait of the Honorable Benjamin T. Pickman, formerly President of the Senate, with the assurance that it will be given an honorable place among the portraits of other distinguished citizens of Massachusetts whose names and history are associated with the Senate of Massachusetts.

Benj. T. Pickman.

Mr. Morse, from the committee on Taxation, on the petition of C. H. Rockwell and others, reported a bill to authorize the town of Chatham to take stock in a railroad corporation, and the same was read and ordered to a second reading.

Chatham, Town of.

Mr. Morrill, from the committee on the Treasury, on the House bill establishing the salaries of certain clerks and providing for additional clerical assistance in the department of the Insurance Commissioner ; and on the

Insurance Commissioner.

House resolves

In addition to a resolve granting an allowance to certain organizations for the erection of monuments on the battlefield at Gettysburg, Pennsylvania ;

Gettysburg Battlefield.

Concerning the Commonwealth's Flats at South Boston ; and

Commonwealth Flats.

Mr. Douglas, from the same committee, on the House bill to provide for a State Board of Arbitration for the settlement of differences between employers and their employees ; and

State Board of Arbitration.

The House resolve to provide for the construction of a barn and the purchase of cows, and for certain improvements and repairs at the Massachusetts Reformatory, reported that these bills and resolves severally ought to pass, and they were ordered to a second reading.

Massachusetts Reformatory.

Mr. Joslin, from the committee on the State House, on the report of the State House Commission on the work performed and expenditures made under its direction during the year 1885, reported that no legislation is necessary thereon ; and

State House.

Mr. Tappan, from the committee on Prisons, on the order relative to abolishing the county jail at Newbury-

Newburyport, County jail at.

port, reported that the same be referred to the next General Court, and these reports were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow.

Commissioners
of Prisons,
Secretary of
Board of.

Mr. Tappan, from the committee on Prisons, on the Report of the Commissioners of Prisons, reported a bill to establish the salary of the Secretary of the Board of Commissioners of Prisons, and the same was read and referred, under a suspension of the rule, to the committee on Public Service.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Petitions were presented and referred as follows : —

Charles I. Raw-
son et als.

By Mr. Joslin, a petition of Charles I. Rawson and others for an act of incorporation as the Huguenot Water Company, for the purpose of supplying the town of Oxford with pure water, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule, to the committee on Water Supply.

Sent down for concurrence.

Seduction.

By Mr. Morse, petitions of
Mrs. Delia A. Neale and 147 others ;
George E. Bowers and 10 others ;
Georgiana Davis and 8 others ;
Rev. S. L. Blake and 66 others ;
Mrs. Frances L. Murray and 49 others ;
Emily L. Clark and 25 others ;
Alice M. Carey and 42 others ; and
Eliza F. Talbot and 45 others, severally for additional legislation to punish the crime of seduction and to raise the age of consent ;

To the committee on the Judiciary.

Papers from the House.

Reformatory
prison for
women.

A resolve to provide for certain repairs and improvements at the reformatory prison for women, on the annual report of the Commissioners of Prisons, was read and referred to the committee on the Treasury.

F. W. Robin-
son et als.

On motion of Mr. Jefts, the vote by which the Senate yesterday refused to suspend the 12th Joint Rule to admit the House petition of F. W. Robinson and others for an

act to incorporate the Central Congregational Church in Chelmsford was reconsidered, and the rule was suspended and the petition referred in concurrence to the committee on Parishes and Religious Societies.

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

The report of the committee on Education, on an order relative to repealing section 14 of chapter 48 of the Public Statutes relative to the establishment of county truant schools and union county truant schools, was considered. Mr. Cogswell moved to substitute a bill, and the report was passed over, and the bill ordered to be printed.

County truant schools.

The bills

To authorize the release to the former owners of a parcel of land heretofore taken for a court house for the county of Suffolk ;

Suffolk County.

To change the name of the "First Parish in Medway" to "Parish of the Church of Christ";

Medway, First Parish in.

In addition to an act to incorporate the Stoneham Street Railroad Company; and

Stoneham Street Railway Company.

To authorize the town of Nahant to raise money to assist in the maintenance of communication by water between said Nahant and Boston, were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Nahant.

The Senate bill to establish wards and precincts in the city of Boston for the assessment of taxes for the current year, was read a third time, amended on motion of Mr. Wilbur, also in the title, and passed to be engrossed.

Boston, City of.

Sent down for concurrence.

The House bill to provide for the assistance of women charged with crime whose cases are disposed of without sentence; and

Women charged with crime.

The House resolves

In favor of Anne Deighen Burgess of Boston; and

Anne D. Burgess.

Providing for certain repairs and improvements at the State Normal School at Worcester, were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

State Normal School.

The Senate report of the committee on Public Health, on the order relative to making it compulsory for towns to annually choose boards of health, was accepted.

Board of Health.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The House reports

J. M. Waterman et als.

Of the committee on Expenditures, on the petition of J. M. Waterman and another for legislation for the relief of the town of Williamstown in the matter of bonded indebtedness ;

Cream.

Of the committee on Agriculture, on an order relative to amending the law concerning the inspection and sale of milk so as to provide for the inspection and sale of cream ; and

Patrons of Husbandry.

On the petition of the Massachusetts State Grange, Patrons of Husbandry, that the reports of the Secretary of the State Board of Agriculture be distributed to subordinate granges as now to agricultural societies ;

Samuel C. Cobb et als.

Of the committee on Education, on the petitions of Samuel C. Cobb and others for further legislation to protect insect-eating birds ; and

Levi C. Wade.

Of the committee on Taxation, on the petition of Levi C. Wade for legislation relative to the taxation of the capital stock of corporations chartered in this Commonwealth to build railways in foreign countries, were severally accepted in concurrence.

Industrial Education.

The House report of the committee on Education, on an order relative to providing for industrial education for juvenile offenders and neglected children in the public institutions, was laid on the table.

Adjourned.

MONDAY, April 26, 1886.

Met according to adjournment.

Insurance Companies.

Mr. Walker, from the committee on Insurance, on the order relative to a revision of the insurance laws, reported, in part, a bill extending the powers of certain insurance companies.

Hassanamisco Water Company.

Mr. Scott, from the committee on Water Supply, on the petition of Solon F. Smith and others, reported a bill to incorporate the Hassanamisco Water Company ; and

City Marshals, etc.

Mr. Reed, from the committee on Cities, on an order in relation to the subject, reported a bill to provide for

the tenure of office of city marshals and other police officers in cities, and these bills were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Petitions were presented and referred as follows : —

By Mr. Scott, petitions of

Seduction.

John H. Mansfield and 24 others ; and

J. L. Marsh and 65 others, of Winchester ;

By Mr. Morse, a petition of

Mrs. Sarah L. Sprague and 20 others of Hingham, severally for further legislation to punish the crime of seduction and to raise the age of consent ;

To the committee on the Judiciary.

Papers from the House.

Reports, that it is inexpedient to legislate,

Of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, on an order relative to regulating the charges made by the American Bell Telephone Company for the use of instruments to leasing companies, as also to other subscribers ; and

Reports.

On an order relative to providing by law that no telephone company shall charge to exceed three dollars per month where one telephone is used, nor more than two dollars and one-half per month where more than one is used by the same individual, firm or company, and fixing the fees for switching between towns and cities at fifteen cents for the first five minutes and five cents for each additional five minutes, were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow.

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

The report of the committee on Education, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to repealing section 14 of chapter 48 of the Public Statutes relative to the establishment of county truant schools and union county truant schools was further considered.

Truant schools.

The question being on the substitution of the bill proposed by Mr. Cogswell, Mr. Forbes rose to a point of order which being stated was, that the bill was obnoxious to Senate Rule No. 47, as it introduces matter which was not referred to the committee.

The Chair ruled that the point of order was well taken and the bill was accordingly laid aside. (See Appendix.)

Mr. Cogswell thereupon moved to substitute another bill, being sections one and three of the above, the same not being included in the provisions of the president's ruling; and the bill was rejected and the report accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The bills

Bills.

To authorize the town of Chatham to take stock in a railroad corporation; and

Establishing the salaries of certain clerks and providing for additional clerical assistance in the department of the Insurance Commissioner; and the

Resolves

Resolves.

To provide for the construction of a barn and the purchase of cows, and for certain improvements and repairs at the Massachusetts Reformatory;

In addition to a resolve granting an allowance to certain organizations for the erection of monuments on the battlefield of Gettysburg, Pennsylvania; and

Concerning the Commonwealth's Flats at South Boston, were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

State Board of Arbitration.

The House bill to provide for a State Board of Arbitration for the settlement of differences between employers and their employees was read a second time.

Mr. Dunbar moved to substitute a bill to provide for the establishment of voluntary arbitration for the equitable settlement of controversies respecting labor, and the bill was ordered to be placed first in the Orders of the Day for Wednesday next and the substitute printed.

Suffolk County Court House.

The Senate bill to authorize the release to the former owners of a parcel of land heretofore taken for a court house for the County of Suffolk, was read a third time, and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

First Parish in Medway.

The House bill to change the name of the "First Parish in Medway" to "Parish of the Church of Christ" (in a new draft of the Senate bill), was read a third time, amended on motion of Mr. Reed, and in the title, and

passed to be engrossed in concurrence, with the amendment, which was sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The House bill in addition to an act to incorporate the Stoneham Street Railroad Company, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Stoneham
Street Railway
Company.

The bill to authorize the town of Nahant to raise money to assist in the maintenance of communication by water between said Nahant and Boston was read a third time, and the question on passing the same to be engrossed was determined as follows, to wit: —

YEAS. — Messrs. Boynton,	Dunbar,	Gleason,
Jetta,	Jones, F. W.,	Joyner,
Locke,	Morrill,	Morse,
Norris,	Nourse,	Phillips,
Reed,	Scott,	Tappan,
Wilbur. — 16.		

NAYS. — Messrs. Alger,	Cogswell,	Douglas,
Gove,	Howard,	Howland,
Jefferson,	Kendricken,	Lilley,
McGahey,	Milliken,	Walker. — 12.

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Bigelow,	Emerson,	Forbes,
Gould,	Gunn,	Harlow,
Hayes,	Jones, E. D. G.,	Joslin,
Murphy,	Naphen. — 11.	

So the bill passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The report of the committee on the State House, on the report of the State House Commission, on the work performed and expenditures made under its direction during the year 1885, was laid on the table.

State House.

The Senate report of the committee on Prisons, on the order relative to abolishing the county jail at Newburyport, was accepted.

Newburyport,
Jail at.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Adjourned.

TUESDAY, April 27, 1886.

Met according to adjournment.

Evening High
Schools.

Mr. Harlow, from the committee on Education, to whom was recommitted the bill for the establishment of evening high schools in certain cities, with instructions to hear all parties interested who desire to be heard, reported that the same ought to pass in a new draft, and it was read and ordered to a second reading.

Reformatory
Prison for
Women.

Mr. Douglas, from the committee on the Treasury, on the House resolve to provide for certain repairs and improvements at the Reformatory Prison for Women at Sherborn; and

Agricultural
College.

Mr. Walker, from the same committee, on the Senate resolve in favor of the Massachusetts Agricultural College at Amherst, reported that these resolves severally ought to pass, and they were ordered to a second reading.

Matthew Bar-
ney et al.

Mr. Cogswell, from the joint committee on the Judiciary, on the petition of Matthew Barney and others that the island of Muskeget and Gravelly Islands be restored to the county of Nantucket; and

J. J. Whipple.

On the petition of J. J. Whipple, mayor of Brockton, that the county commissioners of Plymouth County be authorized to provide suitable accommodations in said city for holding the terms of the Superior Court, reported that the petitioners severally have leave to withdraw;

Fitchburg R. R.
Company.

Mr. Gould, from the committee on Railroads, on the petition of the Fitchburg Railroad Company for the abolition of the grade crossings of the Vermont and Massachusetts and Connecticut River railroads in the town of Deerfield, reported that the petitioner, at its own request, have leave to withdraw; and

Water Gas.

Mr. Gunn, from the committee on Manufactures, on the order relative to amending section 14 of chapter 61 of the Public Statutes relating to the inspection of gas and gas meters, so as to permit of the manufacture of water gas, reported that it is inexpedient to legislate thereon, and these reports were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow.

Order Adopted.

On motion of Mr. Cogswell, —

Ordered, That the resolutions on the death of the late clerk of this body, the Honorable Stephen N. Gifford, together with the remarks on the adoption of the same, be entered in full upon the Journal of the Senate.

Stephen N.
Gifford.

*Papers from the House.**Bills*

To incorporate the Saugus Water Company, on the petition of C. H. Bond and others; and

Saugus Water
Company.

Concerning the election of assessors in the city of Cambridge, on the petition of the Mayor of said city, were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

A report of the committee on Military Affairs, granting leave to withdraw, on the petition of Mary Gallagher for State aid; and

Mary Gallagher.

A report of the committee on Taxation, reference to the next General Court, on an order relative to imposing a tax upon all testate and intestate estates, were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow.

Testate and In-
testate Estates.

The Senate report of the committee on Cities, granting leave to withdraw, on the petition of William R. Plunkett and others of the town of Pittsfield for a city charter for said town, was recommitted in concurrence, with instructions to hear the petitioners after giving such notice as the committee may deem expedient.

William R.
Plunkett et al.

Bills Enacted.

The following engrossed bills (the first seven of which originated in the Senate) passed to be enacted, and were laid before the Governor for his approval, to wit: —

Bills enacted
and to Gov-
ernor.

To establish the salary of the clerk of the Third District Court of Eastern Middlesex.

Concerning the adulteration of food and drugs.

To authorize the trustees of Tufts College to hold additional real and personal estate.

To establish the salary of the justice of the First District Court of Eastern Middlesex.

To incorporate the Village Cemetery Association of Vineyard Haven.

To establish the salary of the clerk of the First District Court of Eastern Middlesex.

To authorize the Providence and Worcester Railroad Company and the Norwich and Worcester Railroad Company to cross certain tracks in Worcester and to provide for the erection and maintenance of automatic signals in connection therewith.

To regulate the taking of fish in North River in the county of Plymouth.

Relating to the return of fees, costs, fines, forfeitures and other moneys by certain officers.

To change the name of the Trustees of the Episcopal Clerical Fund and to enable said corporation to hold additional real and personal estate.

Relating to providing means of communication between rooms in manufacturing establishments where machinery is propelled by steam and the room where the engineer is stationed.

Resolutions on
the death of
Stephen N.
Gifford.

Mr. Lilley, from the committee appointed to draft and present to the Senate resolutions expressive of its appreciation of the character and services of its late Clerk, STEPHEN N. GIFFORD, reported resolutions as follows :

Resolutions on the Death of Stephen N. Gifford, late Clerk of the Senate.

Whereas the Senate is deeply grieved by the death of its late Clerk, STEPHEN N. GIFFORD, and desires to give enduring expression to its appreciation of his high character, and his eminent services as a public official; therefore it is

Resolved, That by his death the Senate loses an invaluable officer, who during twenty-nine consecutive years has with rare intelligence, fidelity and unfailing courtesy facilitated its labors, and the Commonwealth loses a zealous public servant and an exemplary citizen.

Resolved, That the Senate commends the example presented by his long and honorable career to all who aspire to render unselfish and patriotic service to their fellow-citizens and the State.

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be forthwith transmitted to the family of the late Clerk, to whom

the Senate extends its profound sympathy in their bereavement.

The resolutions were read and remarks were made thereon as follows : —

SENATOR LILLEY OF MIDDLESEX.

Mr. President, — Occasions like this remind us that the deepest emotions of the heart find halting expression in the language of the lips. As one who stands on the shore of the boundless sea, or seeks to scale with straining vision the snow-clad summits of the everlasting hills, so I stand in contemplation of the career which we honor to-day, deeply sensible that the tribute which I bring is inadequate, and that it would be wholly unworthy of acceptance, but for the respect and affection by which it is prompted.

Stephen N. Gifford was born July 21, 1815. For full threescore years and ten he lived and wrought with our fathers and with us ; discharging every duty with fidelity and adorning every station to which he was called. While he was still in the active service of the Commonwealth which he loved so well, the shadows of the night forbade further labor, and he turned his footsteps homeward, bearing the sheaves of a long, busy and honorable life. The announcement of the death of this plain, old-fashioned gentleman, unheralded as it was by a single note of alarm, caused as profound a shock and as wide a sense of personal loss as would be occasioned by the death of the most eminent man in public life in Massachusetts to-day. What memories it aroused ! How the mind traversed the period of his life and noted the marvellous events which it embraced, in many of which he bore a conspicuous part. Born in the year which was marked by brilliant achievements of American arms on land and sea, and which closed the second war of the Republic, he saw the nation advance with wondrous strides to unexampled prosperity and power ; he saw its population increase from eight to more than fifty millions ; he saw twenty sovereign States take their places in the Union, and he witnessed the great struggles relating to slavery under the Constitution which began with the Missouri Compromise and ended with the surrender of Lee at Appomattox, and among the giants who engaged in them he counted many personal friends. Looking back through twenty-nine years, we see him

called in his early manhood to the office of clerk of the Senate. He brought to the discharge of its duties an invaluable experience as a teacher and legislator, the culture of the scholar, and, better than all, a knightly courtesy whose well-spring was the heart, and which led all who saw it and felt its influence to accord to him

“The grand old name of gentleman.”

Thenceforth we find him so inseparably associated with every step taken by the Commonwealth that the omission of his name would render its history incomplete. In the most important era of its existence, it was for him to witness and record every act by which, with the blood of fifteen thousand of its citizens, and with thirty millions of treasure, it sealed its devotion to republican government, and, to quote his own sentiment, gave fullest meaning to the declaration, “All men are created equal.” In his lifetime the slave power had risen to gigantic proportions; crushing whom it could not conciliate, it imperiously claimed the land for its dominion. He saw the beginning and the growth of the anti-slavery movement, and it was his high duty—oh, crown of fame!—to attest Massachusetts’ ratification of that new Magna Charta which does indeed “proclaim liberty throughout the land unto all the inhabitants thereof.”

Twenty-nine years of incessant, arduous, faithful public service, unmarred by a single act or word which the most exacting would recall; this is the legacy left in our keeping, and in the keeping of our successors. Let us cherish it, Mr. President, in the spirit of loyalty with which he served, and, if need be, defended the department of the government whose honored servant he was. No man was ever truer to the object of his allegiance than was Stephen N. Gifford to the General Court. Gentle though he was, he quickly and firmly resented any reflection upon it, or any attempt to limit its prerogatives. He had no patience with that flippant and unfair style of criticism of public bodies and public men which has of late so extensively prevailed. It is but a short time since, that in the presence of a most distinguished company that had assembled in his honor, he said: “I say that the character of Massachusetts, here and everywhere, where it is known, is due to the honesty, the fidelity, the industry of the General Court.

I say further, and I know whereof I speak, that the members of the Massachusetts legislature, those who manage the business, work harder, work more hours, than they would in their own business at home." His conception of public service was that of the old-fashioned school. To him it was honorable; nay, exalted. Through frequent repetition his duties might become commonplace, nevertheless, he was ever mindful that he was the servant of the State, and it commanded his best efforts to the end. According to his custom, he completed his daily record of the proceedings of the Senate before he ceased labor, and in such an advanced condition did he leave the work of his office that, on its reassembling, the Senate, though bereft of its guide, was enabled to proceed with the public business without interruption. Herein, to my mind, is a grander tribute to the *clerk* than can be paid by human lips.

But it is not the public official merely in whose praise we speak. We hold in most grateful remembrance the man; the man of high purpose; the man without reproach; the man in whose seventy-one years there was no winter because the spring of love and charity for his kind dwelt forever in his heart. The fact that my experience is similar to that of many others will perhaps justify me in referring to the time when I first came to this chamber, "with all my imperfections on my head," and almost totally inexperienced in legislative procedure. Attracted by the light that beamed from his countenance, as many had done before, as many have done since, under like circumstances, I turned to Mr. Gifford in my perplexities, and in him I found a counsellor, a guide, a friend; a friend to whom, alas! I can never again acknowledge the debt of gratitude I owe. And it was not here, in the place of his labor, alone that his influence was felt. In every walk in life he commanded the respect, the admiration, the love of men. In the historic town in which he dwelt, whose name in later years has been given prominence by association with his own, he was the friend of all. The old, the young, hastened to do him honor. He held the chief place in their councils, and at their festivals. As their most distinguished citizen, he received the salutations of a continent, and at their firesides he was an ever welcome guest. To them was known something of the sweetness of that inner life upon whose privacy we may not intrude to-day.

To their tender care, Mr. President, we have committed his mortal remains, reserving to ourselves the grateful duty, now reverently discharged, of perpetuating in the annals of the Commonwealth a shining example that shall for all time lend inspiration to those who aim to "serve or save the State."

Kind friend, farewell! May spirits as gentle as thine attend us "when the swift river bears us to the ocean."

SENATOR HOWLAND OF PLYMOUTH.

It is with great hesitation that I attempt to say a word to-day, realizing as I do that I have not the knowledge of language to express the feelings of my heart in the manner that I ought to do on this occasion. Our departed friend, of whom we speak to-day, endeared himself to all who were acquainted with him. It was my fortune to be somewhat intimately acquainted with him, and I always found in him a sympathetic friend and wise counsellor.

As at times I have heard related the struggles of his early life, I have thought that they had much to do with his sympathy for those who had been and were deprived of the advantages of a liberal education. His early experiences seem to have filled his heart with sympathy towards those who had been deprived of that privilege.

I need not speak, Mr. President, of his universal courtesy and kindness towards all with whom he came in contact during his long service as clerk of this body. It is too well known for me to add anything to it. In my own experience I can say that I always found him courteous and kind, ready to impart information and give assistance when it was desired, in a modest, unassuming and gentle manner. From the history of his life much may be learned.

Born in humble circumstances, becoming fatherless when a small boy, through his own exertions he obtained his education and won that place in public life which he filled with so much ability and efficiency. He was always an interested and earnest worker in all matters pertaining to the welfare of the town in which he resided, his counsels always being taken with great respect and confidence by his fellow townsmen.

By his death all associated with him have lost a tried friend and wise counsellor, his town a good and true citizen, and the State a faithful and efficient public servant.

Mr. President, I feel it would be wrong for me to detain the Senate further, knowing as I do that so many are desirous of adding their tribute to the memory of him who has left us.

SENATOR NOURSE OF WORCESTER.

We sometimes betray the narrowness of our mental vision, and dishonor our birthright, by thoughtlessly saying that the sturdy virtues of our Puritan ancestors no longer leaven our New England life. We malign our brethren, we falsely accuse ourselves, when we even suggest that the mantles of those virtuous fathers and mothers, who lived in the historic era of our Arcadian simplicity, have fallen upon degenerate sons and daughters in this age of complex social and political relations. No! In the enlightened civilization of a republic like ours, human graces find a congenial soil, and they flourish and bud and blossom in abundance, in infinite variety, and in all grades of society. Modest worth is nowhere a rarity among us. Sterling integrity is never exceptional. Dignified courtesy is not strange.

But when we see a man in whom the successive legislatures of three decades have placed implicit and unstinted trust, never disappointed; when we see that man, although an ardent political partisan, making no enemies; when, though the incumbent of a very remunerative and honorable public office, yet year after year he has met no rival striving to supplant him; then indeed and in verity may we exclaim: O singular and fortuitous combination of moral and mental graces! O rare example of the typical gentleman! O model public servant, worthy the emulation of us all, worthy the lasting gratitude of the Commonwealth!

We mourn the loss of a benignant presence, but we have left to us treasure of gracious memories; memories of a beneficent life, a life rounding gracefully to its close, and entering into the Sabbath of eternal rest while yet the vital enjoyments, energies and forces were all unimpaired. That urbane companionship we have lost forever, but the fragrance of that companionship remaineth with us. Of that fragrance we are not bereft, even by the angel whom men call Death.

SENATOR COGSWELL OF ESSEX.

Mr. President, — The resolutions in honor of the memory of our old friend, Mr. Gifford, which have been offered by the committee appointed for that purpose, are most eloquent and fitting, and the remarks in support of them by the members of that committee, to which we have just listened, seem to me to leave nothing to be said in regard to their adoption. Yet I would like to say a word on this occasion. Our friend, after long and honorable public service, intelligently and courteously performed, has died at the sunset of his life with his harness on, yet with every official duty discharged in its fullest detail. Thus he died; thus would he have chosen to die.

Mr. President, an old, tried and honored public functionary has gone to "the undiscovered country." Every official legislative act of the last quarter century, by which Massachusetts has marked her part in the progress, in the civilization, and the great events of that momentous period, has been attested by the signature of him whose memory we commemorate to-day, — "S. N. Gifford, Clerk." Governors have come and gone, Senates have assembled and adjourned, but he for more than twenty-eight consecutive years has stood at his post of duty here, the manly, the faithful, the dignified, the kind-hearted — aye, the big-hearted clerk of the Massachusetts Senate.

We have buried him, sir, on the shores of the sea he loved to look upon, and by which, when his cares of office were over, he loved to dwell. I can hardly persuade myself that he has gone from our sight forever, though mine eyes have seen him buried in the sands of the Cape.

Farewell, genial and beloved friend; farewell, the Commonwealth's long tried and ever faithful public servant; farewell, "S. N. Gifford, Clerk." God bless thy memory, and God help us to make and set as good an example of honest, faithful, intelligent and genial public service as thou hast!

"O tender heart that is still,
You will falter with trouble no more,
Nor know of the good or the ill
Of a frantic world's uproar!

"Clouds sail, and waters flow,
And our souls must journey on;
But it cannot be ill to go
The way that thou hast gone."

SENATOR DUNBAR OF HAMPDEN.

We meet, Mr. President, to render honor to the memory and to pay a tribute to the character of Stephen N. Gifford. Not in formal and perfunctory phrase of cold respect, recounting his years of service, the care, accuracy and fidelity of his work; not with adulation; not with the praise which, unmerited, is more unjust than censure; but out of the fulness of our emotions to say a few words for the benefit of those who had not the rare pleasure of his acquaintance, to indicate in what esteem and affection we who knew him held him. I know full well that nothing that we can say will add to or detract from his reputation, nor will increase or diminish in any degree the love and veneration with which his friends will cherish his memory, but we should be false to the dictates of our hearts if we did not strive in some imperfect way, some broken phrase, some feeble utterance, to give recognition of our appreciation of our loss.

Men do not greatly mourn the death of those who are conspicuous only for ability, or wealth, or power. The life of no man is essential to the progress of the world; no matter how important the work in which he may be engaged, how broad and comprehensive may be his abilities, how skilful he may be in all the details of that work, if he has nothing else to recommend him to his fellow-men, his death will rouse no great or deep emotion. But it is hard to be reconciled to the death of a friend. We may bear the loss of prosperity with equanimity, but the wounds of the heart never heal. And so it is, Mr. President, that the memory of our friend will not fade with this generation.

Mr. Gifford was not a great man, as the world counts greatness. He accumulated no great wealth. He obtained no exalted public station. He strove neither for power nor for fortune. He had not those bold and aggressive qualities which compel success in the forum and in the mart. He was a modest, unassuming, genial, kindly gentleman, content to do his duty, but only content when that duty was well done. What his standard was, what rare ability, fidelity and conscience he brought to that work, we who have seen him in its daily performance know and the record for more than a quarter of a century bears witness. He had a clear and accurate mind and his opinions upon most subjects were reliable. They were also posi-

tive, but never offensively expressed. He had convictions and was not ashamed of them; they were not thrust upon others, but they were tenaciously held. I have never in all my acquaintance seen a man to whom could more aptly be applied the lines of that beautiful ode from Horace beginning "*Justum ac tenacem propositi virum.*" He had a keen sense of humor. He truly loved a good story, of which he himself had great store. He was a skilful parliamentarian, well versed in all the mysteries of legislative procedure, the unfailing recourse of all inexperienced members and the prompter and assistant of many a presiding officer. He had that essential for good work, a love for it and a pride in its excellence. Whoever saw him with work carelessly done or dragging behind? Whoever saw him impatient of anything but shams or injustice? Whoever knew him too busy or too tired to lend assistance or counsel? With such qualifications, with such a mind and temper, his election for so many successive years as clerk of this Senate ceases to be surprising; nor is it wonderful that he was the chosen arbiter and referee of all the disputes of his neighbors in his town of Duxbury.

And they loved him, those neighbors and friends. There were tears upon the faces of many, and sadness upon the faces of all, as we laid him to rest beneath that bright and cloudless sky, near the shore of that ever changeful but never changing sea, amid the beauty and the promise of the opening spring.

Upon a tablet on the wall of the church which he was accustomed to attend, and in which his funeral services were held, there are these words: "Mark the perfect man and behold the upright, for the end of that man is peace." I can think of no word which more aptly characterizes his death. The summons came swiftly and suddenly, but he was ready. His work was done. There were no wrongs to be righted. There was no injustice to be atoned for. Respected, honored, loved, mourned, his death indeed was peace.

SENATOR WALKER OF HAMPSHIRE.

I would that to-day, upon this solemn occasion, Hampshire County were represented in the Senate by one who could fittingly express her sadness because of the death of one of her oldest and best friends, Mr. Gifford. Speaking just a word for myself, and for the senators from

Hampshire who have preceded me during his many years of faithful service, I can safely say that none have been more indebted to him for the counsel and assistance which all new members need, — especially those whose previous education, experience and observation have not been of a character to make them familiar with the duties and responsibilities which must be assumed by all who come to the General Court of Massachusetts. Much have we received : gentle, almost affectionate consideration ; advice given with an interest like that which a parent might take in his child ; and, as I remember this, it is not strange that to me words seem inadequate to define our appreciation of his service in the past, our sorrow in the present, or to tell how truly and how tenderly we shall cherish his memory until, God willing, we meet him again in the glory of the great world beyond. Dear old friend ! Middlesex, Worcester, Plymouth, Essex, Hampden and other counties offer to you their eloquent tributes ; but those of us who come from the hills and valleys of Hampshire ask only that we may weep with those who weep, and that we may sometimes bring our choicest flowers and lay them on your grave. Hail and farewell !

SENATOR MURPHY OF SUFFOLK.

I desire to say just one word upon these resolutions, although I doubt whether I can add anything to what has been said so feelingly and so eloquently by my brother Senators. I feel that there are men, whom, in times past, Massachusetts has mourned, who may perhaps in public life have gained position, whose memory will live longer among the masses of the people ; but I believe, honestly, that no man in his walk, or in his sphere, by his actions and by his life, is better deserving of memory than he whose death we mourn here to-day. I have listened to what has been said of his public and his private life ; of his public life, as my personal experience goes, I cannot add one word to what has been said upon that particular portion. I, myself, like other Senators here, have been laid under obligations to him in the way of showing me the path along which I should follow, in order that I might know the technical portions of the duties which fell to my lot. During all my term of service in the legislature of Massachusetts I have never heard one word other than that of

praise when the name of the clerk — the former clerk — of this Senate was mentioned. If any one deserves credit, deserves honor, deserves remembrance, it is the man who does his duty by his fellow-men. And I believe that it can be safely claimed for the former clerk of this Senate that in that particular he has not been wanting.

In other lands and other countries, where progress moves with leaden wings, there is not that progress that we have here upon our side of the ocean.

In the period of years which marked his official life, near one-third of a century, what has been the march onward made by our nation and our people, has been fitly and eloquently expressed here to-day. His official life, to my mind, marks one important period in the history of the nation and in the history of the State. I allude to the time when Massachusetts for one moment — for it was but for one moment — wandered from the path which her fathers had trod so proudly and so grandly in the years before. But it was only for a moment that she faltered, and to-day it is with pride that I say that in our State, the old Commonwealth of Massachusetts, between men who come from other lands, there are not those barriers which at one time threatened to divide them, and that which weighs the man to-day is not where he came from, what may be his religion, but be he a man, be he honest, be he true, be he worthy of the support of his fellow-citizens. During the official career of our late worthy clerk, the beginning and the end of it marked this great and wondrous change, — to my mind one of the proudest pages in the history of Massachusetts' proud life. No deeds or acts, in the ages that are to come, will shine so brightly and shine so grandly.

I think that the highest encomium that can be paid to Stephen N. Gifford is this, that he was a man, — a true American gentleman. From the first day that he took service of the State to the last, he was faithful to the trust imposed upon him, and we need no better substantiation of that fact than the unanimity, with which, year after year, he was re-elected to the place he so honored. It seems as if it were only yesterday, and I gaze upon his familiar face and his familiar form, in perfect keeping with the surroundings of this old and this historic State House, and to-day he is no more.

I remember with pain and with sorrow, and with some

pride, that the last action of his life was the affixing of his signature to the resolutions offered by myself in this Senate and accepted unanimously by this body — the resolutions of Home Rule. To my mind, it was an appropriate and a fit official ending to such a blameless official life. Resolutions sent from the proudest and the happiest of people on the earth in behalf of one of the lowliest and the most suffering that treads God's footstool.

He did his duty faithfully and well to the last, and when he laid down his official pen, it was to obey the beckoning hand of the angel of Death. He has gone from amongst us before the throne of the Great Master, and if there be any faults in his threescore and ten years of life, I believe the tears of the Recording Angel will wash them out.

SENATOR MORSE OF NORFOLK.

I hardly feel, Mr. President, that I can add anything to what has been already said. But I recall the fact that the wisest man who ever lived, under Divine inspiration when Jehovah held the pen, wrote that "It is better to go to the house of mourning than to the house of feasting." Surely, when death comes so nearly as now, it is well to pause for a season, not only to pronounce words of eulogium upon our brother, who has left us "for that undiscovered country, for that bourne from whence no traveller returns," but it is well, also, Mr. President, to ponder on the solemn fact that we, too, are mortal, and have here "no continuing city," and that sooner or later our places, too, will be vacant; others will stand in our lot and do our business; for us, too, "the silver cord will be loosed, the golden bowl broken, and the pitcher broken at the fountain."

You remember, sir, that when Mr. Garfield was stricken down by the vilest assassin that ever cursed the earth, when the surgeons gathered around him, Mr. Garfield asked one of them, "Doctor, is the wound mortal?" and you will remember the answer, "We fear the worst, Mr. Garfield." And said the great, good man, "Doctor, I am not afraid to die." Why not? Because he was at the post of duty.

Our brother who has left us met the "King of Terrors," we are told, calmly; and surely, like Mr. Garfield, at the post of duty. God grant to all of us who sit around this

board, that when our summons, too, shall come "to join the innumerable caravan that moves to the pale realms of shade," we, too, may go,

* * "not, like the quarry-slave at night,
Scourged to his dungeon, but, sustained and soothed
By an unfaltering trust, approach thy grave
Like one that wraps the drapery of his couch
About him, and lies down to pleasant dreams."

The prophet Daniel once heard a voice. He heard a voice that spake to him and commanded him to "stand in his lot." This man, whose chair is vacant, "stood in his lot" for twenty-nine years, a modest, unassuming servant of the State.

Did it ever occur to you, Mr. President, that men are wont to turn their thoughts into the records of the past for memories of noble lives and deeds, and forget the heroes of the present, and men who to-day stand in their lot, the sentiment expressed by my friend the Senator from Worcester? To illustrate: The student of ancient history loves to think of the three hundred Spartans who stood at the pass of Thermopylæ and there contested the advance of the immense Persian army. The Russian loves to think of Peter the Great, who laid aside the glories and splendors of his kingdom and took upon himself the garb and habiliments of his servant and travelled through all the length and breadth of all the Russias, mingling with the poor, despised and lowly, and then returned to his throne and set on foot measures to ameliorate the condition of his people; the Irishman loves to turn his thoughts into the records of the past and think of Robert Emmet, and sees him in his last and cruel trial. He marks the wrath of Lord Newbury as he propounds to him the question: "Robert Emmet, is there any reason why sentence of death should not be pronounced upon you?" He hears him tell his executioners that the blood that they seek is not congealed with the artificial terrors that surround their victim. He hears him say that "There is no man that knows my motives who dare now vindicate them. Let my tomb remain uninscribed until my country takes its place among the nations of the earth," and "then, and not till then, let my epitaph be written." And to-day the hearts of his countrymen, in the mountains of Ireland, are inspired to engage in a well-nigh hopeless contest by the dying words of this young

Irishman. And we Americans are no exception to the rule. We love to turn our thoughts into the records of the past, and think of Washington, the father of his country; we see him on that cold December night crossing the Delaware, or we see him at Valley Forge, shedding tears over his little band of soldiers, who marked the snow as they marched with their frosty, shoeless, bleeding feet.

But we have paused to-day, Mr. President, amidst our business, for a brief season to do honor to a man who, though his name may not live in history like the three hundred Spartans, like Peter the Great, like Robert Emmet, or like George Washington, yet a man like them who stood in his lot, who did his duty, who loved this dear old Commonwealth of Massachusetts, who died in her service, and gave his life for her. God bless his memory!

Did you ever reflect, Mr. President, what the just are finally commended for, and what it is that goes to make up a grand and noble life? Not some great deed, like those that I recited, but for what? "I was an hungered, and ye gave me meat." It is the little events of life that go to make up character. "I was an hungered, and ye gave me meat; naked and ye clothed me; I was sick, and ye visited me; I was in prison, and ye came unto me."

Not one man in one hundred thousand will be remembered by posterity and known to posterity; but we may all record deeds and acts like those of brother, which are unknown to fame, but have been recited here to-day, that will stand when the Books are opened, when the bronze has turned to dust, and when the canvas has faded.

I remember to have read a story of a poor old soldier, who was worn out in his country's service, and who, on his way back to his fatherland, took to playing the violin as a means to earn a living in the streets of Vienna. By and by this old man's sight became dimmed, his hand became palsied and tremulous, and he could no longer make music on his violin; and finally he sat down on the curbstone in tears, in want and hungry. There came along a stranger who said: "What is the matter?" And this soldier replied: "My hand trembles so that I cannot make any more music on my violin, and I am cold and in want and hungry." "Oh," said the stranger, "you

are too old and feeble to play the violin, neighbor; give me the violin." And the stranger took the violin and began to play, and a crowd gathered round, and increased as he played on. Cheers rent the air, and some shouted and some wept. The stranger said to the old man: "I guess you had better pass your hat, old man." And he went round in the crowd and he filled his hat full. He did not expect to have any money, and passed it to the stranger; but the stranger said: "Put the money in your pockets; I don't want any of it." And the stranger played again, with the same results, and then he left, and somebody in the crowd said: "Who is that? Who is the man that played the violin?" And said a man who knew him: "Didn't you know that man? That was Bucher the great violinist, known throughout the realm of Austria." Bucher was a rich man, yet he assumed the old man's poverty, he bore the old man's degradation, he played the old man's violin. He became a street beggar to help the old man.

Now, what does this story bring to our minds? It suggests to us One who left his home in glory; One who was rich, and for our sake became poor. How ought our hearts to well up in gratitude; and how ought we to go out and imitate the example of our brother who is no more, by deeds and words and acts of kindness, and make an enduring and an everlasting record. A Quaker once wrote: "I expect to pass through this world but once; if, therefore, there be any kindness I can show to my fellow creatures, let me not defer or neglect it, for I shall not pass this way again." I believe that our brother in his life was animated by such a spirit as that of this Quaker. He left no word or deed of kindness unsaid or undone, for evidently he didn't expect to pass this way again.

• SENATOR JOYNER OF BERKSHIRE.

I regret that I have had no leisure to consider thoughts to express at this time. And yet, I have this consolation, for it seems to me we are filing in a single line past the bier of our dead clerk, and as we pass, each Senator, throwing his spray upon the coffin-lid, seeks to express some fitting tribute to the dead. But as we listen to these tributes, — just, appropriate, eloquent, — we can but feel that the deeper feelings of the Senate have not been ex-

pressed. Words have no language for the deepest sentiments of the heart.

We do not stand by the bier of one whom we love and vex the air with noisy words, but we stand rather in marble silence, feeling there is something that words cannot utter; that until words have power to restore to that vacant chair the living form of the dead, the eulogy is incomplete. And, sir, nothing that we can say will restore that life. The Divine speech that would quicken the dead will not be heard, and so the eulogy of the orator, though it be eloquent as any to which we have listened, the elegy of the poet, though it be most graceful, will seem, incomplete, inadequate.

As we cannot restore this life, I am led, listening here, to think of what was the lesson of that life. What, after all, was the secret of the success of this man? It was not because he had a clear head, a kind heart, good humor, gracious manners; not because he aided Senators in their work; but it was because he had found the work that he was fitted to do, — by nature fitted to do, — and that work he did. The lesson of his life is to seek out that employment for which we are qualified and then work in that employment.

There was, perhaps no other reason for his great success, as a clerk, unless it was, that while he knew his own business and wrought at his own business, he did not interfere with the business of others. He never stood upon the little pedestal to which Senators had elevated him, and from that pedestal sought to influence legislative action. Senators in the lobby, Senators in the committee-room, were never button-holed by this man. Whether it was public law or private law or constitutional amendment that was to be made, he ever remembered that, as a recording officer, it was not his duty to seek to interfere with legislators in their work. A worthy example, sir, perhaps, to many a man who may have held or still holds office beneath this dome. Having his duty to perform, knowing how to perform it, he made that his business and let other men's business alone. It was on this account that he clashed not with men on the sharpest points of their opinions, — political opinions; that he clashed not with legislators upon their pet schemes. He took no part in contests.

There is another lesson, sir, to be learned from the life

and work of this man in this Senate chamber, a lesson that is alike a credit to him and an honor to the Senate. He held his place for twenty-nine years by the voluntary suffrages of forty intelligent men of the Commonwealth. He was not carried into the office as a mere follower on a State political ticket, but each year by the separate ballots of forty men he came to his place.

The lesson that I learn, and that the Senate may learn, from this is broader. It is that we need no half political, half pedagogic commission to secure fixedness of tenure of office; that we can trust to the people, — the intelligence of the common people, — to choose the right man for the right place, year after year, when they find him. We may say, sir, in the language of Lincoln at Gettysburg: "Men will little note, nor long remember, what we here say;" but as long as this thirty years' record of the doings of this Senate are preserved, as long as the Commonwealth shall endure, so long will this record, the work of Stephen N. Gifford, be a monument of the capacity of the people of Massachusetts, who lived through the great war period and for the twenty-five years that followed, for self-government.

SENATOR HOWARD OF BRISTOL.

I rise to unite my voice with those members who have preceded me in paying this last tribute of respect to the memory of our distinguished and much lamented friend, Stephen N. Gifford. I deem it my part, coming here from the ranks of labor and representing a portion of Massachusetts' hard-toiling sons, to voice their sentiments in respect to the memory of him whose loss we mourn.

I had occasion to trouble him, but not frequently, to make out reports for me, and I always found that he treated me with as much kindness, respect and courtesy as that extended to the most distinguished member of this Senate. He possessed many of nature's noblest traits. I discovered that in the short time that I knew him, for he made no discrimination whatever between the cultured and wealthy men and those who came from the poorest ranks. I have frequently looked, in the past week, across this Senate chamber, and I have missed that kind, genial and fatherly looking countenance, and it reminded me occasionally of the words I once heard as being uttered after the death

of a celebrated Roman senator, when it was said his absence made him more conspicuous than his presence.

I stood in that little churchyard in Duxbury, and as I watched his family, his relatives, his numerous friends, descending the steps weeping bitterly over his loss, his manly sons sobbing like children in their hour of affliction, my heart went out in full sympathy to them and I had to brush away a tear of sorrow, though I tried to do it unseen by my brother Senators. I saw him laid in his grave almost beneath the shadow of the monument of Miles Standish, that brave, energetic and capable soldier of the Old Colony, and I thought that ere long his dust would commingle with that of those great men who are buried around him, those hardy pioneers who laid the foundation of this, the greatest country under heaven, the home of refuge for the oppressed and persecuted of all nations. He is gone, as my brother Senators have said, gone forever, but he has left his mark upon the page of Massachusetts history and he has built for himself a monument in the hearts of all those with whom he was associated which time cannot efface.

I thought, when I saw those boys weeping, when I saw his weeping widow, that in his lifetime he must have been a kind and loving husband, a good father, a generous friend, an honest man. He was, as I am told, a friend to all men. The world can pay him no higher eulogy. May his soul rest in eternal peace, is my earnest wish.

PRESIDENT PILLSBURY.

Mr. President, — Our brethren who have already addressed the Senate have done full justice to the life and character of our honored and lamented friend, and I do not expect to add anything to the completeness of the tribute which, by them and by the resolutions of the committee, has already been so touchingly and gracefully paid to his memory. But my relations with him have been such and so close, especially during this and the last session of the legislature, and my respect for him was so deep and my friendship so strong, that I should do injustice to my own feelings if I omitted to lay my humble wreath with the rest upon his grave.

I was glad on coming into the Senate chamber this afternoon to find it dressed with the flowers which he loved.

Their fragrance is like the fragrance of the memory which he has left behind him, and it is appropriate that the end of an honorable, complete and rounded career like his should be crowned with garlands of flowers rather than with the emblems of mourning.

The Senate chamber of Massachusetts is the place in which to pronounce the eulogy of Stephen N. Gifford. He was more identified with this place than with any other, and he was more identified with it than any other man. His career as clerk of this body was remarkable in many respects. It is safe, I think, to say that in length of continuous service it exceeds anything known in the history of the government of this Commonwealth; and the length of his service is a sufficient testimony, if other testimony were wanting, to the character and the quality of the work which he did here. He served the Senate as its recording officer through twenty-eight years, and into the twenty-ninth, and during all that time, so far as I know, his tenure of office was never disturbed by so much as a rumor. His election and re-election were always foregone; and while each assembling Senate went through the form, as it must, it was well understood to be only a form, and that the Senate of Massachusetts would never think of parting with so efficient, so faithful an officer and servant while he remained able to continue in its service.

He was in almost all respects a model clerk. If he erred at all, it was from excess of caution and on the side of safety. Without what I should call a legal mind or a mind especially adapted to deal with intricacies and technicalities, he had what perhaps was better, — an instinct for parliamentary law; an instinct which, superadded to his familiarity with the routine and business of the Senate, gained in his long period of service, made him not only an invaluable recording officer, but of the greatest assistance to the presiding officer. And if there is anything which I desire to specially emphasize to-day, since it happens that here and at this time my voice is the only one which can bear this testimony, it is that he has laid every presiding officer of the Senate during his time under obligations which will not soon be forgotten. And I ought to add, — because it was most characteristic of him, — that he never seemed to make any display of superior knowledge and never obtruded his advice. Indeed his advice, when asked, was given with a diffidence and modesty that evidently were not affected but were felt.

His personal characteristics most apparent to his friends, and equally apparent indeed to those who had only a casual acquaintance with him, were his geniality of temperament and manner, and a keen sense and unfailing fund of humor. It was these qualities that attached his friends to him and made almost every man and woman and child who ever made his acquaintance regard him with feelings of personal friendship. Situated in this public position as he was during an entire generation, he probably met and made the acquaintance of more citizens of Massachusetts than any man now living, and that he is followed to his grave by the regard and regret of every one of these I need not say to you who knew him.

I have listened with interest for any allusion by our brethren of the Senate to that which is almost always a subject of remark on occasions like this,—his religious character or his opinions upon religious topics. We need not hesitate to speak of this. Mr. Gifford was not, in the popular sense, a religious man,—by which I mean that he was not accustomed very rigidly to observe the forms and ceremonials of religious belief or worship. But in my view he was a religious man in a better sense. If he had been asked for a statement of his creed, I think he might have expressed it much as it was expressed by Pope in the lines with which you are familiar :

“For modes of faith let graceless zealots fight;
His can't be wrong whose life is in the right.”

This, I think, was his creed, and that he made this vital in his daily walk and life his friends will remember. I cannot feel, Mr. President, that this is so much an occasion for mourning as for rejoicing. He lived a tranquil, a contented and happy life. He was spared, as he always desired to be, in the full enjoyment of all his faculties almost to the last moment, to die at his post of duty, having passed through a serene old age, surrounded, as the poet says,

“With all that should accompany old age.
As honor, love, obedience, troops of friends.”

We went down, the other day, to the home which he loved, and there laid his body in the ground ; but his better part is still with us, in the tender memories of his friends

and in the sincere and lasting regard of the people of the State which he served so long and so well.

The Resolutions were unanimously adopted by a rising vote.

Adjourned.

THURSDAY, April 28, 1886.

Met according to adjournment.

Stephen N.
Gifford.

Mr. Cogswell, on leave, introduced, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule, a resolve in favor of the widow of Stephen N. Gifford, and the same was read three times under a suspension of the rules, and passed to be engrossed. Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Stoughton
Water Com-
pany.

Mr. Scott, from the committee on Water Supply, on the petition of John J. Phinney and others, reported a bill to incorporate the Stoughton Water Company ;

Cambridge.

Mr. Wilbur, from the committee on Cities, on the petition of William E. Russell, mayor of Cambridge, for the amendment of an act passed by the present legislature relating to the revision of the ward boundaries and the appointment of members of the common council in the city of Cambridge, reported a bill extending the time in which the City of Cambridge shall make a revision of its ward boundaries and an apportionment of members of its Common Council in the year eighteen hundred and eighty-six, and these bills were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

State Prison.

Mr. Tappan, from the committee on Prisons, on so much of the Governor's Address as relates to prisons, reported in part a resolve to provide for increasing the number of cells at the State Prison at Boston, and the same was read and referred to the committee on the Treasury.

Petitions were presented and referred as follows : —

Samuel W.
Hopkinson et
als.

By Mr. Emerson, a petition of Samuel W. Hopkinson and others for the extension of the time allowed for the construction of the works and the organization of the Brad-

ford Water Company, to the committee on Water Supply, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule (with instructions to hear the parties after such notice shall have been given as the committee shall direct).

By Mr. Norris, a petition of the selectmen of Cottage City for an Act to revive an Act to supply said town with pure water, to the committee on Water Supply, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule. Cottage City.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

By Mr. Morse, a petition of Hattie A. Eaton and 41 others of North Adams for additional legislation to punish the crime of seduction and to raise the age of consent ; Seduction.

To the committee on the Judiciary.

Orders Adopted.

On motion of Mr. Cogswell, —

Ordered, That the committee on Resolutions concerning the death of the Honorable Stephen N. Gifford be authorized to have published in suitable form, and in such numbers as said committee may see fit, copies of the resolutions recently adopted by the Senate together with the remarks in support of the same. Stephen N. Gifford.

On motion of Mr. Norris, —

Ordered, That the election of a clerk of the Senate be assigned for quarter past two o'clock, P. M., to-morrow. Clerk, election of.

Papers from the House.

The Senate resolve providing for remodelling the elevators in the State House came up recommitted to the committee on the State House with instructions to take action at the earliest possible moment, and the Senate concurred therein. State House.

The Senate bill to establish the District Court of Western Hampden came up, passed to be engrossed with certain amendments, and the Senate concurred therein. District Court.

A petition of Elmer Hayes and Edgar Hayes for the enactment of a law authorizing the town of Natick to pay Elmer Hayes et als.

them \$725 each as bounty, came up referred to the committee on Military Affairs, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule, and the Senate non-concurred in the suspension of said rule, and the petition was accordingly referred to the next General Court.

Bills Enacted and Resolves Passed.

Bills enacted
and to Gov-
ernor.

The following engrossed bills (the first five of which originated in the Senate) passed to be enacted, to wit: —

To provide for the transportation of shipwrecked seamen in certain cases.

To authorize savings banks and institutions for savings to invest in bonds and notes of the Worcester, Nashua and Rochester Railroad Company.

To exempt the city of Holyoke from the provisions of section one of chapter three hundred and twelve of the Acts of the year eighteen hundred and eighty-five relative to the limit of municipal debt and the rate of taxation in cities.

In addition to An Act to supply the town of Canton with water.

To establish the salary of the Inspector and Assayer of Liquors.

To provide for the assistance of women charged with crime whose cases are disposed of without sentence.

Relating to the annual collection of statistics of manufactures.

Resolves
passed, etc.

The following engrossed resolves (both of which originated in the House) passed, and with the above-named bills were laid before the Governor for his approval, to wit: —

In favor of Anne Deighen Burgess of Boston.

Providing for certain repairs and improvements at the State Normal School at Worcester.

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

State Board of
Arbitration.

The House bill to provide for a State Board of Arbitration for the settlement of differences between employers and their employees was further considered. The question being on substituting the bill proposed by Mr. Dunbar, it was determined as follows, to wit: —

YEAS.— Messrs. Boynton,
Jefts,
Norris,
Dunbar,
Jones, E. D. G.,
Wilbur. — 8.
Gunn,
Morrill,

NAYS.— Messrs. Alger,
Douglas,
Gould,
Howard,
Joyner,
Locke,
Morse,
Reed,
Walker. — 25.
Bigelow,
Forbes,
Gove,
Jones, F. W.,
Kendricken,
McGahey,
Naphen,
Scott,
Cogswell,
Gleason,
Hayes,
Joslin,
Lilley,
Milliken,
Phillips,
Tappan,

PAIRED.— Mr. Nourse (yea) with Mr. Howland (nay). Mr. Harlow (yea) with Mr. Emerson (nay). Mr. Jefferson (yea) with Mr. Murphy (nay) — 6.

So the substitute was rejected.

The question then recurring on ordering the bill to a third reading, it was determined as follows, to wit: —

YEAS.— Messrs. Alger,
Douglas,
Gleason,
Hayes,
Jefts,
Joslin,
Lilley,
Milliken,
Phillips,
Tappan,
Bigelow,
Emerson,
Gould,
Howard,
Jones, E. D. G.,
Joyner,
Locke,
Morse,
Reed,
Walker. — 29.
Cogswell,
Forbes,
Gove,
Howland,
Jones, F. W.,
Kendricken,
McGahey,
Naphen,
Scott,

NAYS.— Messrs. Boynton,
Wilbur. — 4.
Gunn,
Morrill,

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Dunbar,
Nourse. — 4.
Harlow,
Norris,

PAIRED.— Mr. Murphy (yea) with Mr. Jefferson (nay). — 2.

So the bill was ordered to a third reading.

The bills

Extending the powers of certain insurance companies; **BILL.**

To provide for the tenure of office of city marshals and other police officers in cities;

Authorizing the establishment and maintenance of evening high schools in certain cities;

To incorporate the Saugus Water Company;

Concerning the election of assessors in the city of Cambridge; and the

Resolves.**Resolves**

In favor of the Massachusetts Agricultural College at Amherst; and

To provide for certain repairs and improvements at the Reformatory Prison for Women at Sherborn, were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Hassanamisco Water Company.

The Senate bill to incorporate the Hassanamisco Water Company was read a second time and ordered to a third reading. Subsequently, on motion of Mr. Forbes, the Orders of the Day were laid on the table and the bill was read a third time, under a suspension of the rule, and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

The Orders of the Day were taken from the table.

Insurance Commissioner.

The House bill establishing the salaries of certain clerks and providing for additional clerical assistance in the department of the Insurance Commissioner; and

Resolves.**The House resolves**

To provide for the construction of a barn and the purchase of cows, and for certain improvements and repairs at the Massachusetts Reformatory;

In addition to a resolve granting an allowance to certain organizations for the erection of monuments on the battlefield at Gettysburg, Pennsylvania; and

Concerning the Commonwealth's Flats at South Boston, were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Reports.**The Senate reports**

Of the committee on Claims, on the petition of the selectmen of Greenfield for the reimbursement of certain moneys paid by said town for and in behalf of the Troy and Greenfield Railroad;

Of the committee on Cities, on the petition of the Park Commissioners of the city of Boston for permission to lease estates taken for the purpose of a public park;

Of the committee on Manufactures, on the order relative to amending section 14 of chapter 61 of the Public Statutes relating to the inspection of gas and gas meters, so as to permit the manufacture of water gas; and

Of the committee on Railroads, on the petition of the Fitchburg Railroad Company for the abolition of the grade

crossings of the Vermont and Massachusetts and Connecticut River railroads in the town of Deerfield, were severally accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

A report of the joint committee on the Judiciary, on the petition of Matthew Barney and others that the island of Muskeget and Gravelly Islands be restored to the county of Nantucket, was accepted.

Matthew Barney et als.

Sent down for concurrence.

The Senate report of the joint committee on the Judiciary, on the petition of J. J. Whipple, mayor of Brockton, that the county commissioners of Plymouth County be authorized to provide suitable accommodations in said city for holding the terms of the Superior Court, was recommitted to the joint committee on the Judiciary.

Brockton, City of.

The House report of the committee on Military Affairs, on the petition of Mary Gallagher for State aid, was accepted in concurrence.

Mary Gallagher.

The House reports

Of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, on an order relative to regulating the charges made by the American Bell Telephone Company for the use of instruments to leasing companies, as also to other subscribers; and

American Bell Telephone Company.

On an order relative to providing by law that no telephone company shall charge to exceed three dollars per month where one telephone is used, nor more than two dollars and one-half per month where more than one is used by the same individual, firm or company, and fixing the fees for switching between towns and cities at fifteen cents for the first five minutes and five cents for each additional five minutes, were severally laid on the Table.

Telephone rates.

The Senate report of the committee on Taxation, on an order relative to imposing a tax upon all testate and intestate estates, was considered, but without action thereon the Senate

Testate and Intestate Estates.

Adjourned.

THURSDAY, April 29, 1886.

Met according to adjournment.

Fidelity Insur-
ance Com-
panies.

Mr. Reed, from the joint committee on Probate and Insolvency, on an order in relation to the subject, reported a bill relating to allowances by judges of probate to Fidelity Insurance Companies for acting as surety on probate bonds ;

Insolvent deb-
tor.

The same Senator, from the Senate committee on Probate and Insolvency, reported a bill in relation to the schedules required to be furnished by an insolvent debtor to the messenger ;

Hudson, Town
of.

Mr. Scott, from the committee on Water Supply, reported a bill to authorize the town of Hudson to make an additional water loan ; and

Superior Court.

Mr. Cogswell, from the joint committee on the Judiciary, to whom was recommitted the report, leave to withdraw, on the petition of J. J. Whipple, mayor of Brockton, that the county commissioners of Plymouth County be authorized to provide suitable accommodations in said city for holding the terms of the Superior Court, reported a bill in relation to the county of Plymouth paying the expenses of a suitable place for the sittings of the Superior Court in the city of Brockton.

And these bills were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Board of Police
Commissioners,
Report of.

Mr. Gove, from the committee on Harbors and Public Lands, on so much of the report of the Board of Police Commissioners of the city of Boston as relates to Harbor Service, reported that no legislation is necessary thereon ;

Wellfleet.

Mr. Phillips, from the committee on Towns, on the petition of the selectmen of the town of Wellfleet and others for legislation establishing the boundary line between the tide waters of Wellfleet and Eastham, reported that the same be referred to the next General Court ; and

Henry H.
Tucker et als.

Mr. Locke, from the committee on Towns, on the petition of Henry H. Tucker and others, that the easterly part of the town of Stoughton may be annexed to the

city of Brockton, reported that the petitioners have leave to withdraw, and these reports were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow.

Mr. Morrill, from the committee on the Treasury, on State Prison. the Senate resolve to provide for increasing the number of cells at the State Prison at Boston, reported that the same ought to pass, and it was ordered to a second reading.

Petition Presented and Referred.

By Mr. Joyner, a petition of Robert L. Taft and others Robert L. Taft et al. of New Marlborough, for a revival of the charter of the Konkapot Valley Railroad Company, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule to the committee on Railroads.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Papers from the House.

A bill in relation to the instruction of prisoners in the State Prison. State Prison, on the annual report of the Commissioners of Prisons; and

A bill in addition to an act to incorporate the Quincy Quincy Water Company. Water Company, on the petition of said company, were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

A report of the committee on Water Supply, reference to the next General Court, on so much of the petition of the Boston Water Board, that said city be empowered to acquire by purchase the franchise of any corporation now having the right to detain and sell water within the limits of said city, as relates to empowering said city to purchase certain lands, was read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow.

Pursuant to assignment, the Senate, at quarter-past two o'clock P. M., proceeded to elect a Clerk, and Messrs. Clerk, election of. Wilbur, Lilley and Reed were appointed a committee to collect, assort and count the votes therefor.

And the votes having been collected, assorted and counted, it appeared that E. Herbert Clapp of Boston was elected; and he was qualified by taking the following oath:—

Whereas, You, E. Herbert Clapp, are chosen Clerk to the Senate of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you do swear that you will truly enter all the votes and orders thereof, and in all things relating to your office, that you will act faithfully and impartially according to your best skill and judgment. So help you God.

On motion of Mr. Norris, —

Notice to Governor.

Ordered, That a committee of three be appointed to inform the Governor of the election of E. Herbert Clapp as Clerk of the Senate, and Messrs. Norris, Gould and McGahey were appointed said committee.

On motion of Mr. Cogswell, —

Notice to House.

Ordered, That a committee of three be appointed to inform the House of Representatives of the election of E. Herbert Clapp as Clerk of the Senate, and Messrs. Cogswell, Phillips and Murphy were appointed said committee.

Assistant Clerk.

A communication was received from the Clerk announcing his appointment of Henry D. Coolidge as Assistant Clerk of the Senate.

Bill Enacted.

Bill enacted and to Governor.

An engrossed bill to authorize the Hoosac Valley Street Railway Company to issue mortgage bonds, and to transport freight over a portion of its road (which originated in the Senate), passed to be enacted, and was laid before the Governor for his approval.

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

The unfinished business of yesterday, viz., —

Testate and Intestate Estates.

The House report of the committee on Taxation on an order relative to imposing a tax upon all testate and intestate estates was further considered.

Mr. Joyner moved to substitute a bill to lay taxes on legacies and successions, and the report was passed over and the bill ordered to be printed.

Chatham, town of.

The Senate bill to authorize the town of Chatham to take stock in a railroad corporation was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The bills

To incorporate the Stoughton Water Company ;

Stoughton
Water Com-
pany.

Extending the time in which the city of Cambridge shall make a revision of its ward boundaries and an apportionment of members of its Common Council in the year eighteen hundred and eighty-six, were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Cambridge,
city of.

The Senate bill extending the powers of certain insurance companies was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Insurance Com-
panies.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The Senate bill to provide for the tenure of office of city marshals and other police officers in cities was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

City Marshals,
etc.

Sent down for concurrence.

The Senate bill authorizing the establishment and maintenance of evening high schools in certain cities was read a third time and passed to be engrossed. Subsequently Mr. Scott moved to reconsider the vote by which the bill passed to be engrossed, and the motion was placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow.

Evening High
Schools.

The House bill to incorporate the Saugus Water Company was read a third time, amended on motion of Mr. Scott, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence, with the amendment, which was sent down for concurrence.

Saugus Water
Company.

Came up concurred.

The House bill concerning the election of assessors in the city of Cambridge was read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

Cambridge,
city of.

The Senate resolve in favor of the Massachusetts Agricultural College at Amherst was read a third time, and the same being reported by the committee on Bills on the Third Reading in a new draft, without "change in the sense or legal effect, or any material change in construction," entitled a Resolve providing for certain Improvements and Repairs at the Massachusetts Agricultural College at Amherst, and the further equipment thereof, it was passed to be engrossed.

Massachusetts
Agricultural
College.

Sent down for concurrence.

Reformatory
Prison for
Women.

The House resolve to provide for certain repairs and improvements at the Reformatory Prison for Women at Sherborn, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

Adjourned.

FRIDAY, April 30, 1886.

Met according to adjournment.

Petition presented and referred : —

Seduction.

By Mr. Bigelow, a petition of Rev. F. E. Sturges and others of Natick for additional legislation to punish the crime of seduction and to raise the age of consent ;
To the committee on the Judiciary.

Order Adopted.

Lee, town of.

On motion of Mr. Joyner, —

Ordered (under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule), That the committee on the Treasury consider the expediency of authorizing the Treasurer and Receiver-General to reduce the rate of interest on the bonds of the town of Lee, now owned by the Commonwealth, to four per cent. per annum, or of allowing said town to pay said bonds in full during the present year.

Sent down for concurrence in the suspension of the 12th Joint Rule.

Came up concurred.

Papers from the House.

Bills

Boston Water
Power Com-
pany.

To authorize the Boston Water Power Company to issue preferred stock, on the petition of J. D. Braman ;

Jails, etc.

In relation to the whitewashing of jails and houses of correction, on the Annual Report of the Commissioners of Prisons ; and

Fish.

For the protection of fish in a portion of the county of Dukes County, on the petition of Samuel Osborn, Jr. and others, were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Town Meetings.

A bill to confirm the proceedings of town meetings of

certain towns, was read and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

A resolve in favor of the Worcester County Free Institute of Industrial Science, on the petition of the president of the same, was read and referred to the committee on the Treasury.

Worcester
County Free
Institute.

The Senate petition of Charles I. Rawson and others for an act of incorporation as the Huguenot Water Company, for the purpose of supplying the town of Oxford with pure water, came up concurred in the reference to the committee on Water Supply, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule, amended by the House as follows: — add after the words “water supply” the words “with instructions to hear the parties after giving such notice as the committee may deem expedient,” and the Senate concurred therein.

Charles I. Raw-
son et alia.

The following House order was laid over under the objection of Mr. Cogswell: —

Ordered, That the Sergeant-at-Arms make suitable arrangements for a visit of the officers and members of the legislature and State officers and the legislative reporters, to the Hoosac Tunnel on Friday, May 7, 1886. No expenses of any other persons invited to be included or paid.

Visit to Hoosac
Tunnel.

Reports (granting leave to withdraw),

Of the committee on Drainage, on the petition of the board of health of Framingham for authority to construct a drain in the towns of Framingham and Natick to a point in the Sudbury River, for the reason that the petitioners have not complied with the provisions of chapter 24 of the Acts of 1885; and

Framingham.

Of the committee on Towns, on the petition of Caleb Childs and others of Marblehead and Swampscott, that “Great Neck” and the “Farms” in Marblehead, and the adjoining part of Swampscott, may be incorporated as a separate town, were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow.

Caleb Childs et
alia.

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

The motion to reconsider the vote by which the Senate bill authorizing the establishment and maintenance of

Evening High
Schools.

evening high schools in certain cities passed to be engrossed, was taken up and carried in the affirmative.

The bill was then amended on motion of Mr. Joyner, as follows:—

In line 9, section 1, strike out the word “therefor,” and insert in the place thereof the words “in writing for an evening high school and certify that they desire to attend such school.”

The question then recurring on passing the bill to be engrossed, it was determined as follows, to wit:—

YEAS. — Messrs. Alger,	Boynton,	Douglas,
Emerson,	Forbes,	Gould,
Harlow,	Hayes,	Howland,
Jefts,	Joslin,	Joyner,
Kendricken,	Lilley,	Locke,
McGahey,	Morse,	Murphy,
Naphen,	Nourse,	Reed,
Wilbur. — 22.		

NAY. — Mr. Scott. — 1.

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Bigelow,	Dunbar,	Gleason,
Gove,	Gunn,	Howard,
Jefferson,	Jones, E. D. G.,	Jones, F. W.,
Morrill,	Norris,	Phillips,
Tappan,	Walker. — 14.	

PAIRED. — Mr. Milliken (yea) with Mr. Cogswell (nay).

So the bill again passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Bills.

The bills

In relation to the schedules required to be furnished by an insolvent debtor to the messenger;

To authorize the town of Hudson to make an additional water loan;

In relation to the county of Plymouth paying the expenses of a suitable place for the sittings of the Superior Court in the city of Brockton;

In relation to the instruction of prisoners in the State Prison;

In addition to an act to incorporate the Quincy Water Company; and the

State Prison.

Resolve to provide for increasing the number of cells

at the State Prison at Boston, were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Senate bill to incorporate the Stoughton Water Company was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Stoughton
Water Com-
pany.

Sent down for concurrence.

The Senate bill extending the time in which the city of Cambridge shall make a revision of its ward boundaries and an apportionment of members of its Common Council in the year eighteen hundred and eighty-six, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Cambridge.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The Senate reports

Reports.

Of the committee on Harbors and Public Lands, on so much of the report of the Board of Police Commissioners of the city of Boston as relates to harbor service ;

Of the committee on Towns, on the petition of the selectmen of the town of Wellfleet and others for legislation establishing the boundary line between the tide waters of Wellfleet and Eastham ; and

On the petition of Henry H. Tucker and others, that the easterly part of the town of Stoughton may be annexed to the city of Brockton, were severally accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The House report of the committee on Water Supply, on so much of the petition of the Boston Water Board, that said city be empowered to acquire by purchase the franchise of any corporation now having the right to detain and sell water within the limits of said city, as relates to empowering said city to purchase certain lands, was accepted in concurrence.

Boston Water
Board.

The report of the committee on Taxation, on an order relative to imposing a tax upon all testate and intestate estates, was taken up, but without action thereon the Senate

Testate and In-
testate Estates.

Adjourned.

MONDAY, May 3, 1886.

Met according to adjournment. Mr. Phillips of Hampden in the chair.

Public Ware-
house Receipts.

Mr. Cogswell, from the committee on the Judiciary, on an order relating to the subject, reported a bill to amend chapter 72 of the Public Statutes relating to public warehouse receipts;

Police officers.

Also, on an order relating to the subject, a bill to amend chapter 103 of the Public Statutes relating to district and other police officers, and these bills were severally read and ordered to a second reading; and on the House bills

Bills.

To extend the duration of the lien of assessments for main drains or common sewers;

To confirm the proceedings of the town meetings of certain towns; and

For the better protection of public records, reported that these bills severally ought to pass, and they were ordered to a second reading.

The same Senator, from the same committee, on the House bills

Relative to the appointment of a law clerk as an assistant in the Attorney-General's department; and

Providing for publishing reports of capital trials, reported that these bills severally ought to pass, and they were referred to the committee on the Treasury.

Reports.

Mr. Cogswell, from the committee on the Judiciary, on the petition of John Atwood and others for a redress of grievances and the return of certain deeds and documents presented before a committee of the legislature in 1884;

On the petition of W. S. and Geo. Wiley and Jos. Dickson that the city of Boston be authorized to pay certain alleged claims;

On the petition of S. E. Sewall and others for further legislation to protect married women in their rights of property, etc. (taken from the files of last year); and

On the petition of Wm. H. Anderson and others, that civil constables be given authority to serve writs and other

civil processes wherein the *ad damnum* does not exceed \$1,000, and to serve libels in actions of divorce, reported that the petitioners severally have leave to withdraw, and these reports were read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow.

Petitions were presented and referred as follows : —

By Mr. Morse, petitions of
 Martha M. Allen and 18 others of Walpole ; Seduction.
 Fanny T. Hazen and 24 others of Cambridge ; and
 Mrs. Franklin Moulton and 52 others, severally for
 additional legislation to punish the crime of seduction ;
 To the committee on the Judiciary.

An engrossed bill to authorize the town of Nahant to Nahant, town of.
 raise money to assist in the maintenance of communica-
 tion by water between said Nahant and Boston, being put
 upon its final passage was passed over, on motion of Mr.
 Cogswell.

Papers from the House.

Bills

To change the name of the Dedham and Hyde Park Dedham and
Hyde Park Gas
Company.
 Gas Company to the Dedham and Hyde Park Gas and
 Electric Light Company, and to authorize said corporation
 to furnish electric light, on the petition of said company ;
 and

To authorize the town of Norwood to make an addi- Norwood,
town of.
 tional water loan, on the petition of the water commis-
 sioners of said town, were severally read and ordered to a
 second reading.

The Senate bill to authorize the city of Boston to pur- Jamaica Pond
Aqueduct
Corporation.
 chase the property of the Jamaica Pond Aqueduct Cor-
 poration, came up, passed to be engrossed, in concur-
 rence with certain amendments, and the Senate concurred
 therein.

Notice was received from the House of Representatives Bills, etc.,
rejected by
House.
 of the rejection of the Senate bills : —

In relation to printed ballots distributed at elections for
 national, State and other officers ;

Relative to the premises in which intoxicating liquors
 are sold by common victuallers ; and the

Senate resolve in favor of Patrick Corr.

The following House order, laid over from yesterday, was rejected:—

Hoosac Tunnel,
Legislature to
visit.

Ordered, That the Sergeant-at-Arms make suitable arrangements for a visit of the officers and members of the legislature and State officers and the legislative reporters, to the Hoosac Tunnel on Friday, May 7, 1886. No expenses of any other persons invited to be included or paid.

Hampshire
County.

The 12th Joint Rule was suspended in concurrence to admit the House resolve granting to the county of Hampshire a county tax, and the resolve was returned to the House of Representatives.

Bills Enacted and Resolve Passed.

Bills enacted
and to Gov-
ernor.

The following engrossed bills (the first three of which originated in the Senate) passed to be enacted, to wit:—

To establish the salary of the judge of the probate court for the county of Plymouth.

To establish the salary of the judge of the probate court for the county of Middlesex.

Relative to changing or discontinuing the railroad track in Foster Street in the city of Worcester.

In addition to An Act to incorporate the Stoneham Street Railroad Company.

Granting additional powers to the Cottage City Gas Company.

Resolve passed,
etc.

An engrossed resolve in favor of the New England Industrial School for Deaf-Mutes (which originated in the Senate) passed, and with the above-named bills, was laid before the Governor for his approval.

District Court.

The Senate report of the joint committee on the Judiciary, on the petitions of E. C. Butler and others for the setting off of Beverly, Topsfield and Danvers from the jurisdiction of the First District Court of Essex County; and the

Factories, etc.,
accidents in.

Motion to reconsider the vote by which the Senate refused to order to a third reading the bill providing for reports of accidents which occur in factories and manufacturing establishments, were severally taken from the table and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow.

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

The House report of the committee on Taxation, on an order relative to imposing a tax upon all testate and intestate estates was passed over. Testate and Intestate Estates.

The House bill to provide for a State Board of Arbitration for the settlement of differences between employers and their employees, was read a third time and ordered to be placed first in the Orders of the Day for Wednesday next. State Board of Arbitration.

The bills

Relating to allowances by judges of probate to Fidelity Insurance Companies for acting as surety on probate bonds ; and Bills.

In relation to the whitewashing of jails and houses of correction, were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The House bill to authorize the Boston Water Power Company to issue preferred stock, was read a second time, amended, on motion of Mr. Boynton, by inserting a new section four, and ordered to a third reading. Boston Water Power Company.

The bill for the protection of fish in a portion of the county of Dukes County was read a second time and laid on the table. Dukes County.

The Senate bill in relation to the schedules required to be furnished by an insolvent debtor to the messenger, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed. Insolvent debtor.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The Senate bill to authorize the town of Hudson to make an additional water loan, was read a third time, and passed to be engrossed. Hudson, town of.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The Senate bill in relation to the county of Plymouth paying the expenses of a suitable place for the sittings of the Superior Court in the city of Brockton, was read a third time, and passed to be engrossed. Superior Court.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The Senate resolve to provide for increasing the number State Prison.

ber of cells at the State Prison at Boston, was read a third time, and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The House bills

State Prison.

In relation to the instruction of prisoners in the State Prison; and

Quincy Water
Company.

In addition to an act to incorporate the Quincy Water Company, were severally read a third time, and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

Reports.

The House reports

Of the committee on Drainage, on the petition of the Board of Health of Framingham for authority to construct a drain in the towns of Framingham and Natick to a point in the Sudbury River, for the reason that the petitioners have not complied with the provisions of chapter 24 of the Acts of 1885; and

Of the committee on Towns, on the petition of Caleb Childs and others of Marblehead and Swampscott, that "Great Neck" and the "Farms" in Marblehead, and the adjoining part of Swampscott, may be incorporated as a separate town, were severally accepted in concurrence.

Adjourned.

TUESDAY, May 4, 1886.

Met according to adjournment.

Secretary of
Board of Com-
missioners of
Prisons.

Mr. Nourse, from the committee on Public Service, on the Senate bill to establish the salary of the Secretary of the board of commissioners of prisons, reported the same in a new draft, and the bill was read and referred to the committee on the Treasury.

Wills, revoca-
tion of.

Mr. Reed, from the committee on Probate and Insolvency, on an order relative to the prohibition of all implied revocation of wills or the modification of the common law concerning the revocation of wills, reported a bill concerning the revocation of wills by marriage, and the same was read and ordered to a second reading.

John J. Whip-
ple et als.

Mr. E. D. G. Jones, from the committee on Manufactures, on the petition of John J. Whipple and others of

Brockton, for the better protection of life and property, and that engineers in factories and manufacturing establishments be required to pass an examination and be licensed, reported that the petitioners have leave to withdraw, and the report was read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow.

Mr. Phillips presented a petition of H. M. Phillips, for legislation incorporating certain residents of Springfield under the name of the "Improved Dwellings Association of Springfield," and the same was referred, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule, to the committee on the Judiciary.

Improved
Dwellings Association.

Sent down for concurrence in the suspension of the 12th Joint Rule.

Came up concurred.

Papers from the House.

Bills

Authorizing corporations to issue special stock to be held by their employees only, on an order in relation to the promotion of ownership of stock in corporation by persons in the employ of such corporations; and

Stock in corporations.

To amend section 1 of chapter 345, of the Acts of the year 1885, relating to naturalization (on orders relating to the subject), were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Naturalization.

The following House order was adopted in concurrence with an amendment, striking out the words "committee on Redistricting the State" in the first line, and inserting in the place thereof the words "joint committee on the Judiciary":—

Redistricting.

Ordered, That the committee on Redistricting the State be requested to report at as early a date as possible whether in redistricting the Commonwealth of Massachusetts into senatorial districts in accordance with article 22 of the amendments to the Constitution it is the duty of the committee to apportion the same in the cities of the Commonwealth according to the wards which existed in said cities at the time the last census was taken, or according to wards which may have been subsequently established. Sent down for concurrence in the amendment.

Came up concurred.

The Orders of the Day were taken up.**Factories, etc.,
accidents in.**

The motion to reconsider the vote by which the Senate refused to order to a third reading the bill providing for reports of accidents which occur in factories and manufacturing establishments, was carried in the affirmative and the question then recurring on ordering the bill to a third reading, amendments were proposed by Messrs. Morse and Jeffs, and without further action the bill was passed over and the amendments ordered to be printed.

**E. C. Butler et
als.**

The report of the joint committee on the Judiciary, on the petitions of E. C. Butler and others for the setting off of Beverly, Topsfield and Danvers from the jurisdiction of the First District Court of Essex County was considered.

Mr. Emerson moved to substitute a bill, and the report was passed over and the bill ordered to be printed.

**Testate and In-
testate Estates.**

The House report of the committee on Taxation, reference to the next General Court, on an order relative to imposing a tax upon all testate and intestate estates, was further considered, the question being on substituting the bill proposed by Mr. Joyner. Mr. Reed rose to a point of order, which being stated was, that the proposed bill was a money bill and could not originate in the Senate.

The Chair ruled that the point of order was well taken, and the bill was accordingly laid aside. Thereupon, Mr. Joyner moved to recommit the report to the committee on Taxation, with instructions to further consider the same and to report a bill to the other branch. Mr. Reed again rose to a point of order, which, being stated, was, that the motion was open to the same objection as the bill, as an attempt to originate a money bill in the Senate. The Chair ruled the point was not well taken, and the report was thereupon recommitted, under a suspension of the 4th Joint Rule, with instructions to further consider the subject and to report to the other branch.

Sent down for concurrence.

Ruling of the President. (See Appendix.)**Bills.****The bills**

To amend chapter 72 of the Public Statutes relating to public warehouse receipts;

To amend chapter 103 of the Public Statutes relating to district and other police officers;

To confirm the proceedings of the town meetings of certain towns;

For the better protection of public records;

To change the name of the Dedham and Hyde Park Gas Company to the Dedham and Hyde Park Gas and Electric Light Company, and to authorize said corporation to furnish electric light; and

To authorize the town of Norwood to make an additional water loan, were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The House bill to extend the duration of the lien of assessments for main drains or common sewers was read a second time, and the question on ordering the same to a third reading was determined as follows, to wit: —

YEAS. — Messrs. Boynton,	Cogswell,	Forbes,
Gould,	Gunn,	Howland,
Jefferson,	Jefts,	Jones, E. D. G.,
Jones, F. W.,	McGahey,	Murphy,
Nourse,	Phillips,	Scott,
Tappan,	Wilbur. — 17.	

NAYS. — Messrs. Alger,	Gove,	Hayes,
Howard,	Joyner,	Lilley,
Locke,	Milliken,	Reed,
Walker. — 10.		

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Bigelow,	Douglas,	Dunbar,
Emerson,	Gleason,	Harlow,
Joslin,	Kendricken,	Morrill,
Morse,	Naphen,	Norris. — 12.

So the bill was ordered to a third reading.

The Senate bill relating to allowances by judges of probate to Fidelity Insurance Companies for acting as surety on probate bonds, was read a third time, and passed to be engrossed.

Fidelity Insurance Companies.

The House bill to authorize the Boston Water Power Company to issue preferred stock, was read a third time, as heretofore amended and passed to be engrossed in concurrence with the amendment, which was sent down for concurrence.

Boston Water Power Company.

Came up concurred.

Jails and
Houses of Cor-
rection.

The House bill in relation to the whitewashing of jails and houses of correction, was read a third time, and the bill being reported in a new draft by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, entitled a bill in relation to the care of jails and houses of correction, it was substituted, read and ordered to a second reading.

Bill enacted and
to Governor.

An engrossed bill to authorize the town of Nahant to raise money to assist in the maintenance of communication by water between said Nahant and Boston (which originated in the House of Representatives), passed to be enacted and was laid before the Governor for his approval.

Reports.

The Senate reports

Of the committee on the Judiciary, on the petition of John Atwood and others for a redress of grievances and the return of certain deeds and documents presented before a committee of the legislature in 1884 ;

On the petition of S. E. Sewall and others for further legislation to protect married women in their rights of property, etc. (taken from the files of last year) ; and

On the petition of Wm. H. Anderson and others, that civil constables be given authority to serve writs and other civil processes wherein the *ad damnum* does not exceed \$1,000, and to serve libels in actions of divorce, were severally accepted.

The Senate report of the committee on the Judiciary, on the petition of W. S. and Geo. Wiley and Jos. Dickson that the city of Boston be authorized to pay certain alleged claims, was passed over.

Adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, May 5, 1886.

Met according to adjournment.

Deaf Mutes and
Blind.

Mr. Forbes, from the committee on Education, to whom was referred the bill to provide for the care and education of children who are both deaf-mutes and blind, reported that the same ought to pass in a new draft ; and the bill was read and referred to the committee on the Treasury.

Mr. Milliken, from the committee on Street Railways, on the petition of E. Gerry Brown and others, reported a bill to incorporate the Onset Street Railway Company. Onset Street Railway Company.

Mr. Nourse, from the committee on Drainage, on the report of a commission appointed to consider a general system of drainage, reported a bill to protect the purity of inland waters, and these bills were severally read and ordered to a second reading. Inland waters, purity of.

Papers from the House.

A bill to authorize the county commissioners of Hampshire County to borrow money to build a new court house was read and referred to the committee on the Judiciary. Hampshire County.

The 12th Joint Rule was suspended in concurrence to admit the House bill to provide for enlarging the jail and house of correction at New Bedford, in the county of Bristol, and the bill was returned to the House of Representatives. New Bedford, jail at.

Bills Enacted and Resolves Passed.

The following engrossed bills (the first four of which originated in the Senate) passed to be enacted, to wit: — Bills enacted and to Governor.

To establish the salary of the judge of the Probate Court for the county of Hampden.

To divide ward eight in the city of Gloucester into two voting precincts.

For the protection of the fisheries in Buzzard's Bay.

To exempt the wages and lay of seamen from attachment by the trustee process.

Concerning the election of assessors in the city of Cambridge.

To change the name of the First Parish in Medway to Parish of the Church of Christ in Millis.

Establishing the salaries of certain clerks and providing for additional clerical assistance in the department of the insurance commissioner.

The following engrossed resolves (all of which originated in the House of Representatives) passed, and with the above named bills were laid before the Governor for his approval, to wit: — Resolves passed, etc.

Extending the time within which an allowance may be

granted to certain organizations for the erection of monuments on the battlefield at Gettysburg, Pennsylvania.

Concerning the Commonwealth's flats at South Boston.

To provide for the construction of a barn and the purchase of cows, and for certain improvements and repairs at the Massachusetts Reformatory at Concord.

To provide for certain repairs and improvements at the Reformatory Prison for Women.

The following House order was taken from the table and rejected :—

Committee on
Manufactures.

Ordered, That the committee on Manufactures be authorized to employ a stenographer.

Honorable Benj.
T. Pickman.

The message from the Governor, forwarding a portrait of the late Honorable Benjamin T. Pickman, president of the Senate in the years 1833, 1834 and 1835, was taken from the table and placed on file.

Fidelity Insur-
ance Companies.

Mr. Lilley moved to reconsider the vote by which the Senate bill relating to allowances by judges of probate to Fidelity Insurance Companies for acting as surety on probate bonds, yesterday passed to be engrossed, and the motion was carried in the affirmative. The bill was then amended, on motion of the same Senator, by inserting the words "or to any person" after the word "bonds" in the seventh line, and again passed to be engrossed.

Question of
order.

Pending the question on approval of title, Mr. Lilley of Middlesex moved to recommit the bill to the committee on Bills in the Third Reading. The Chair ruled the motion out of order, on the ground that the bill, having passed to be engrossed, was not before the Senate for recommittal. Mr. Lilley of Middlesex then moved to recommit the title of the bill to the same committee. The Chair ruled the motion out of order, on the ground that the title of a bill is not a subject of committal or recommittal apart from the bill.

Sent down for concurrence.

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

The bills

Bills.

Concerning the revocation of wills by marriage ;

In relation to the care of jails and houses of correction ;

Authorizing corporations to issue special stock to be held by their employees only ; and

To amend section 1 of chapter 345 of the Acts of the year 1885, relating to naturalization, were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Senate bill to amend chapter 72 of the Public Statutes relating to public warehouse receipts was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Public warehouse receipts.

Sent down for concurrence.

The House bills

Bills.

To confirm the proceedings of the town meetings of certain towns;

For the better protection of public records;

To change the name of the Dedham and Hyde Park Gas Company to the Dedham and Hyde Park Gas and Electric Light Company, and to authorize said corporation to furnish electric light; and

To authorize the town of Norwood to make an additional water loan, were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

The Senate report of committee on Manufactures, on the petition of John J. Whipple and others of Brockton, for the better protection of life and property, and that engineers in factories and manufacturing establishments be required to pass an examination and be licensed, was accepted.

John J. Whipple et als.

Sent down for concurrence.

The House bill to provide for a State Board of Arbitration for the settlement of differences between employers and their employees was further considered, the question being on passing the bill to be engrossed.

State Board of Arbitration.

The bill was amended as proposed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, as follows:—

In the 5th line of section 1 of the printed bill, after the word "arbitration," and in the 3d line of section 7, after the same word, insert the words "and conciliation."

Strike out the word "decree" wherever it occurs in the bill, and insert in the place thereof the word "decision."

In the 2d line of section 6, after the word "parties," insert the words "who join in said application," and strike out the word "thereto."

Also, on motion of Mr. Phillips, by inserting in section 4, line 5, after the word "agent" the words "or by both parties."

Also, on motion of the same Senator, to strike out from section 5, lines 1, 2 and 3, the words "should the application be duly signed by either the employer or his employees as before provided," and insert in the place thereof the words "upon the receipt of such application."

Mr. Morse moved that the further consideration thereof be postponed until Tuesday next, and the bill be placed first in the Orders of the Day, and the question on this motion was determined as follows, to wit:—

YEAS. — Messrs. Dunbar,			Forbes,	Gleason,
Gunn,			Howland,	Jefferson,
Jefts,			Jones, E. D. G.,	Joslin,
Morse,			Nourse,	Phillips,
Tappan,			Wilbur.— 14.	
NAYS. — Messrs. Alger,			Bigelow,	Cogswell,
Douglas,			Emerson,	Gould,
Howard,			Jones, F. W.,	Kendricken,
Lilley,			Locke,	McGahey,
Milliken,			Murphy,	Norris,
Reed,			Scott,	Walker.— 18.

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Boynton,	Gove,	Harlow,
Hayes,	Joyner,	Morrill,
Naphen.— 7.		

So the motion was lost.

Mr. Dunbar moved to strike out section 6, and the question on this motion was determined as follows, to wit:—

YEAS. — Messrs. Dunbar,			Forbes,	Gleason,
Gunn,			Jefferson,	Jefts,
Norris,			Nourse,	Wilbur.— 9.
NAYS. — Messrs. Alger,			Bigelow,	Cogswell,
Douglas,			Emerson,	Gould,
Howard,			Howland,	Jones, E. D. G.,
Jones, F. W.,			Kendricken,	Lilley,
Locke,			McGahey,	Milliken,
Morse,			Murphy,	Phillips,
Reed,			Scott,	Tappan,
Walker.— 22.				

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Boynton,	Gove,	Harlow,
Hayes,	Joslin,	Joyner,
Morrill,	Naphen.— 8.	

So the motion was lost.

Mr. Dunbar moved to amend section 1, line 6, by inserting after the words "shall be" the words "an employer or," and the question on this motion was determined as follows, to wit:

YEAS.—Messrs. Bigelow, Gleason, Jefts, Lilley, Norris, Wilbur.—16.	Dunbar, Gould, Jones, E. D. G., Milliken, Phillips,	Forbes, Jefferson, Joslin, Morse, Tappan,
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NAYS.—Messrs. Alger, Emerson, Jones, F. W., McGahey, Walker.—13.	Cogswell, Howard, Kendricken, Murphy,	Douglas, Howland, Locke, Reed,
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ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Gove, Hayes, Naphen,	Gunn, Joyner, Nourse.—8.	Harlow, Morrill,
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RED.—Mr. Boynton (yea) with Mr. Scott (nay).—2.

So the motion was carried in the affirmative.

Mr. Dunbar also moved to insert in section 1, line 8, after the word "be" the words "an employee or," and the question on this motion was determined as follows, to wit:—

YEAS.—Messrs. Bigelow, Gleason, Jefts, Kendricken, Norris,	Dunbar, Gould, Jones, E. D. G., Lilley, Phillips,	Forbes, Jefferson, Joslin, Milliken, Wilbur.—15.
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NAYS.—Messrs. Alger, Emerson, Jones, F. W. Morse, Tappan,	Cogswell, Howard, Locke, Murphy, Walker.—14.	Douglas, Howland, McGahey, Reed,
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ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Boynton, Harlow, Morrill, Scott.—10.	Gove, Hayes, Naphen,	Gunn, Joyner, Nourse,
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So the motion was carried in the affirmative.

Mr. Morse moved to amend the bill in section 1, line 8, by inserting after the word "organization" the words "and not an employer of labor," but before action was had thereon the Senate

Adjourned.

THURSDAY, May 6, 1886.

Met according to adjournment.

Water companies, purchase of by cities and towns.

Mr. Scott, from the committee on Water Supply, on an order in relation to the subject, reported a bill relating to the purchase by cities and towns of the franchises and property of water companies, and the same was read and ordered to a second reading.

Bills.

Mr. Douglas, from the committee on the Treasury, on the Senate bills

To establish the salary of the secretary of the Board of Commissioners of Prisons ;

To provide for the care and education of children who are both deaf-mutes and blind ; and on the

Resolve.

House resolve in favor of the Worcester County Free Institute of Industrial Science ; and

Mr. Walker, from the same committee, on the House bills

Bills.

Providing for publishing reports of capital trials ; and

Relative to the appointment of a law clerk as an assistant in the Attorney-General's department, reported that these bills and the resolve severally ought to pass, and they were ordered to a second reading.

Hampshire County.

Mr. Cogswell, from the committee on the Judiciary, on the House bill to authorize the county commissioners of Hampshire County to borrow money to build a new court house, reported that the same ought to pass, and the bill was read twice under a suspension of the rule and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Housatonic Railroad Co.

Mr. Norris, from the committee on Railroads, on the petition of the Housatonic Railroad Company for the repeal of chapter 338 of the Acts of the year 1885 con-

cerning freight rates on the railroads in Massachusetts operated by the Housatonic Railroad, reported that the same be referred to the next General Court.

Mr. Gleason, from the committee on Towns, on the petition of Thomas H. Hill and others for an amendment to chapter 27 of the Public Statutes so that votes passed by regularly warned and called town meetings shall remain in force until rescinded by vote of the town, reported that the petitioners have leave to withdraw, and the reports were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow.

Thomas H. Hill
et als.

Mr. Harlow presented a petition of officers of the Woburn Gas Light Company for an amendment of the charter of said company, so as to allow it to furnish electric light and for a change of its corporate name, and the same was referred, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule, to the committee on Manufactures.

Woburn Gas
Light Co.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Petitions were presented and placed on file as follows :

By Mr. Morse, a petitioner of F. M. Severance and others ;

Telephone
rates.

By Mr. Bigelow, petition of F. L. Clafin and others ;

By Mr. Jefferson, a petition of Bishop & Co. and others ;

By Mr. Joyner, a petition of L. D. Moore and others ;

By Mr. Joslin, a petition of A. G. Pease and others ;
and

By Mr. Phillips, a petition of Wm. P. Draper and others, severally that telephone charges may be limited by law.

Order Adopted.

On motion of Mr. Joyner, —

Ordered (under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule), That the committee on the Treasury consider the expediency of paying a certain sum of money to the town of Lee.

Sent down for concurrence in the suspension of the 12th Joint Rule.

Came up concurred.

*Papers from the House.***Bills**Marlborough,
town of.

To ratify and confirm the action of the town of Marlborough in relation to its water supply, on the petition of the selectmen of said town; and

East Boston.

Relating to the drainage of East Boston, on the report of the commission appointed to consider and report a general system of drainage, etc., were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Bills

Bills.

Relative to the issuing of process by the clerks of certain courts; and

Relating to commitment for contempt of court, were severally read and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

A bill in addition to an act making appropriations for expenses authorized the present year, and for certain other expenses authorized by law; and

Resolves.

Resolves providing for printing certain reports of the commissioners on Inland Fisheries, with the existing laws of the Commonwealth regulating the fisheries, on an order in relation to the subject; and

Providing for the erection of a boarding-house, and for certain repairs and furniture at the State Normal School at Framingham, on the Report of the Board of Education, were severally read and referred to the committee on the Treasury.

ReportsPhilip S.
Nickerson et
als.

Of the committee on Water Supply, granting leave to withdraw, on the petition of Philip S. Nickerson and others, for incorporation as the Andover Water Company; and

J. L. Smith
et als.

Of the committee on Water Supply, reference to next General Court, on the petition of J. L. Smith and others, that the town of Andover be granted authority to supply the inhabitants with pure water from any source within the limit of the town, were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow.

Testate and
intestate estates.

The House report of the committee on Taxation, reference to the next General Court, on an order relative to imposing a tax upon all testate and intestate estates,

accepted by the House, which was returned to the House by the Senate with the endorsement "recommitted to the committee on Taxation, under a suspension of the 4th Joint Rule, with instructions to further consider the subject and to report to the other branch," came up non-curred. Mr. Joyner moved that the Senate insist on its action and ask for a committee of conference, pending the consideration of which, the report was laid on the table.

Bills Enacted and Resolve Passed.

The following engrossed bills (both of which originated in the Senate) passed to be enacted, to wit: —

Bills enacted
and to Gov-
ernor.

To authorize the release to its former owners of a parcel of land heretofore taken for a court house for the county of Suffolk.

To establish the salary of the judge of the probate court for the county of Hampden.

An engrossed resolve, in favor of the widow of Stephen N. Gifford (which originated in the Senate), passed, and with the above named bills was laid before the Governor for his approval.

Resolve
passed, etc.

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

The bill to provide for a State Board of Arbitration for the settlement of differences between employers and their employees was further considered, the question being on passing the bill to be engrossed. The bill was further amended as follows: —

State Board of
Arbitration.

On motion of Mr. Morse, in section 1, line 8, by inserting after the word "organization" the words "and not an employer of labor."

On motion of Mr. Phillips, in section 5, by inserting after the words "upon the receipt of such application" (as amended yesterday) the words "and after such notice."

Mr. Cogswell moved that the Senate do now adjourn, and the question on this motion was determined as follows, to wit: —

YEAS. — Messrs. Bigelow,
Lilley,
Phillips,

Cogswell,
Murphy,
Scott,

Emerson,
Naphen,
Walker. — 9.

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NAYS. — Messrs. Alger,	Boynton,	Douglas,
Dunbar,	Gleason,	Gould,
Gove,	Harlow,	Hayes,
Howard,	Howland,	Jefferson,
Jefts,	Jones, E. D. G.,	Jones, F. W.,
Joslin,	Kendricken,	McGahey,
Milliken,	Morse,	Norris,
Nourse,	Reed,	Tappan,
Wilbur. — 25.		

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING

Messrs. Forbes,	Gunn	Joyner,
Locke,	Morrill. — 5.	

So the motion was lost.

Mr. Alger thereupon moved to reconsider the vote by which the Senate yesterday adopted the amendment proposed by Mr. Dunbar to insert in section 1, line 8, after the word "be" the words "an employee or," and the question on this motion was determined as follows, to wit: —

YEAS. — Messrs. Alger,	Bigelow,	Cogswell,
Douglas,	Emerson,	Hayes,
Howard,	Howland,	Jones, F. W.,
Kendricken,	McGahey,	Morse,
Murphy,	Naphen,	Reed,
Walker. — 16.		

NAYS. — Messrs. Boynton,	Dunbar,	Gleason,
Gould,	Gove,	Harlow,
Jefferson,	Jefts,	Jones, E. D. G.,
Lilley,	Milliken,	Nourse,
Phillips,	Wilbur. — 14.	

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Forbes,	Gunn,	Joslin,
Locke,	Morrill,	Scott,
Tappan. — 7.		

PAIRED. — Mr. Joyner (yea) with Mr. Norris (nay). — 2.

So the motion was carried in the affirmative, and the question then recurring on the adoption of the amendment, it was determined as follows, to wit: —

YEAS. — Messrs. Boynton,	Dunbar,	Forbes,
Gleason,	Gould,	Gove,
Harlow,	Jefferson,	Jefts,
Jones, E. D. G.,	Lilley,	Milliken,
Nourse,	Phillips,	Pillsbury,
Tappan,	Wilbur. — 17.	

NAYS.—Messrs. Alger, Bigelow, Douglas,
Emerson, Hayes, Howard,
Howland, Jones, F. W., Kendricken,
McGahey, Morse, Murphy,
Naphen, Reed, Scott,
Walker.—16.

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Cogswell, Gunn, Joslin,
Joyner, Locke, Morrill,
Norris.—7.

So the amendment was again adopted.

The bill was then passed to be engrossed in concurrence with the amendments, which were sent down for concurrence.

The House bill providing for reports of accidents which ^{Factories.} occur in factories and manufacturing establishments was further considered and amended as follows:—

Strike out from line seven of section one, printed bill, the words “forty-eight hours,” and insert in the place thereof the words “four days.”

Also, by striking out from section 2, lines 5 and 6, the words “said statement shall contain the name of the person injured,” and inserting in the place thereof the words, “said statement shall contain a description of the injury;” and as amended ordered to a third reading.

The Senate report of the joint committee on the Judiciary, reference to the next General Court, on the petitions of E. C. Butler and others for the setting off of Beverly, Topsfield and Danvers from the jurisdiction of the First District Court of Essex County was passed over. ^{E. C. Butler et al.}

The report of the committee on the Judiciary on the petition of W. S. and Geo. Wiley and Jos. Dickson that the city of Boston be authorized to pay certain alleged claims was considered. ^{W. S. and Geo. Wiley and Jos. Dickson.}

Mr. Murphy moved to substitute a bill, and the report was passed over.

The House bills

Bills.

To extend the duration of the lien of assessments for main drains or common sewers;

Authorizing corporations to issue special stock to be held by their employees only; and

To amend section 1 of chapter 345, of the Acts of the year 1885 relating to naturalization, were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Onset Street
Railway Co.

The Senate bill to incorporate the Onset Street Railway Company was read a second time and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

The Senate bill to protect the purity of inland waters was read a second time and laid on the table.

Wills.

The Senate bill concerning the revocation of wills by marriage was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Jails and
houses of cor-
rection.

The Senate bill in relation to the care of jails and houses of correction (being a new draft of the House bill in relation to the whitewashing of jails and houses of correction), was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Adjourned.

FRIDAY, May 7, 1886.

Met according to adjournment.

Boston, truant
school in.

Mr. Forbes, from the committee on Education, on the petition of the school committee of the city of Boston, reported a bill to provide for the establishment of a truant school on the mainland in the city of Boston.

Justices.

Mr. Lilley, from the committee on the Judiciary, on an order in relation to the subject, reported a bill providing that justices who receive complaints and issue warrants shall not preside at trials upon such complaints, and these bills were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Great Barrington Fire
District.

Mr. Joyner, from the committee on the Judiciary, on the bill to confirm the proceedings of the last annual meeting of the Great Barrington Fire District, reported that the same ought to pass, and it was ordered to a second reading.

Mr. Walker, from the committee on the Treasury, on Appropriations. the House bill in addition to an act making appropriations for expenses authorized the present year, and for certain other expenses authorized by law ; and

Mr. Douglas, from the same committee, on the House Resolves. resolves providing for printing certain reports of the Commissioners of Inland Fisheries, with the existing laws of the Commonwealth regulating the fisheries ; and

Providing for the erection of a boarding house, and for certain repairs and furniture at the State Normal School at Framingham, reported that this bill and these resolves severally ought to pass, and they were ordered to a second reading.

Mr. Cogswell, from the committee on the Judiciary, on Reports. an order relative to the better security of the freedom of religious worship in certain institutions ; and

On an order relative to amending section 9 of chapter 222 of the Public Statutes relative to religious instruction in public institutions, reported that it is inexpedient to legislate thereon, and these reports were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow.

Mr. Jefts, from the committee on the Liquor Law, on State Assayer of Liquors, Report of. the order relative to procuring from the State assayer a record of the analyses made by him during the year 1885, etc., submitted a report of the State Assayer of Liquors of his work from the 26th of June, 1885, to the 26th of April, 1886, and the same was laid on the table and ordered to be printed.

Papers from the House.

A bill to provide a building for the chronic insane at the State Workhouse at Bridgewater (on the report of the trustees of the same), was read and referred to the committee on the Treasury. State Workhouse.

A bill concerning private detectives, was read and referred to the committee on the Judiciary. Private detectives.

A report of the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, granting leave to withdraw, on the petition of Lemira C. Pennell for an investigation of the acts of certain officials of the State Board of Health, Lunacy and Charity Lemira C. Pennell.

in 1883 in endeavoring to cause her to be detained in a lunatic hospital, was read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow.

Bills Enacted.

Bills enacted
and to Gov-
ernor.

The following engrossed bills (the first two of which originated in the Senate) passed to be enacted and were laid before the Governor for his approval, to wit:—

To authorize the city of Boston to purchase the property of the Jamaica Pond Aqueduct Corporation.

To annex a part of the town of Leyden to the town of Bernardston.

In addition to an Act to incorporate the Quincy Water Company.

In relation to the instruction of prisoners in the State Prison.

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

E. C. Butler
et als.

The report of the joint committee on the Judiciary, on the petitions of E. C. Butler and others for the setting off of Beverly, Topsfield and Danvers from the jurisdiction of the First District Court of Essex County, was ordered to be placed first in the Orders of the Day for Tuesday.

W. S. and Geo.
Wiley et al.

The report of the committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition of W. S. and Geo. Wiley and Jos. Dickson that the city of Boston be authorized to pay certain alleged claims was considered; and

The bill in favor of William S. and Geo. O. Wiley, and of Joseph Dickson, proposed by Mr. Murphy, was substituted, read and ordered to a second reading.

Bills.

The bills

Relating to the purchase by cities and towns of the franchises and property of water companies;

To establish the salary of the Secretary of the Board of Commissioners of Prisons;

To provide for the care and education of children who are both deaf-mutes and blind;

To ratify and confirm the action of the town of Marlborough in relation to its water supply;

Relating to the drainage of East Boston;

Providing for publishing reports of capital trials;

Relative to the appointment of a law clerk as an assistant in the Attorney-General's department; and the

Resolve.
 Resolve in favor of the Worcester County Free Institute of Industrial Science, were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The bill providing for reports of accidents which occur in factories and manufacturing establishments was read a third time and being reported in a new draft by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, entitled a Bill relative to reports of accidents in factories and manufacturing establishments, the same was substituted, read and ordered to a second reading.
 Factories, etc., accidents in.

The Senate reports

Reports.

Of the committee on Towns on the petition of Thomas H. Hill and others for an amendment to chapter 27 of the Public Statutes so that votes passed by regularly warned and called town meetings shall remain in force until rescinded by vote of the town; and

Of the committee on Railroads on the petition of the Housatonic Railroad Company for the repeal of chapter 338 of the Acts of 1885 concerning freight rates on the railroads in Massachusetts operated by the Housatonic Railroad were severally accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The House reports

Of the committee on Water Supply, on the petition of Philip S. Nickerson and others, for incorporation as the Andover Water Company; and

On the petition of J. L. Smith and others, that the town of Andover be granted authority to supply the inhabitants with pure water from any source within the limit of the town, were severally accepted in concurrence.

Adjourned.

MONDAY, May 10, 1886.

Met according to adjournment.

Francis T.
Cordis.

Mr. Dunbar presented a petition of Francis T. Cordis for the confirmation of the title of certain lands situated in the town of Longmeadow, county of Hampden, and the same was referred, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule, to the committee on Probate and Insolvency.

Sent down for concurrence in the suspension of the 12th Joint Rule.

Came up concurred.

*Papers from the House.*New Bedford,
jail at.

The House bill to amend an Act to provide for enlarging the jail and house of correction at New Bedford, in the county of Bristol, was read three times, under a suspension of the rule, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Referred to Committees.

The following papers were referred in concurrence : —

Margaret Tobin.

A petition of Margaret Tobin for certain money due her intestate as a depositor in the Mercantile Savings Institution (12th Joint Rule suspended) ;

To the committee on Claims.

Prisoners.

A report of the Commissioners of Prisons transmitting information concerning the number of prisoners in the several prisons of the Commonwealth, the number employed at remunerative labor in each prison, the prices at which they are employed, the industries in which they are engaged, and the system under which they are employed ;

To the committee on Prisons.

Boston and
Lowell R. R.
Co.

A petition of W. H. Joint and others, in aid of the petition of the Boston and Lowell Railroad Company for authority to build a branch to connect the Mystic Branch with the Salem and Lowell Railroad ;

To the committee on Railroads.

Rape.

The House bill concerning the punishment for rape was taken from the table and recommitted to the committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. Walker, from the committee on the Treasury, on the House bill to provide a building for the chronic insane at the State Workhouse at Bridgewater, reported that the same ought to pass and it was ordered to a second reading.

State Workhouse.

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

The Bill to amend chapter 103 of the Public Statutes relating to district and other police officers, was read a third time and being reported in a new draft by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, entitled a bill authorizing certain cities to license any citizens of the United States as private detectives, the same was substituted, read and ordered to a second reading.

Private detectives.

The bills

To provide for the establishment of a truant school on the mainland in the city of Boston ;

To confirm the proceedings of the last annual meeting of the Great Barrington Fire District ;

In favor of William S. and Geo. O. Wiley, and of Joseph Dickson ;

Relative to reports of accidents in factories and manufacturing establishments ;

Providing that justices who receive complaints and issue warrants shall not preside at trials upon such complaints ;

In addition to an act making appropriations for expenses authorized the present year, and for certain other expenses authorized by law ; and the

Resolves providing for printing certain reports of the Commissioners of Inland Fisheries, with the existing laws of the Commonwealth regulating the fisheries ; and

Providing for the erection of a boarding house, and for certain repairs and furniture at the State Normal School at Framingham, were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Resolves.

The bill to establish the salary of the Secretary of the Board of Commissioners of Prisons, was read a third time and laid on the table.

Secretary of Board Commissioner of Prisons.

The Senate bill relating to the purchase by cities and towns of the franchises and property of water companies, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed,

Water companies.

Sent down for concurrence.

Deaf mutes and
blind.

The Senate bill to provide for the care and education of children who are both deaf-mutes and blind, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Bills.

The House bills

To ratify and confirm the action of the town of Marlborough in relation to its water supply ;

Relating to the drainage of East Boston ;

Providing for publishing reports of capital trials ;

Relative to the appointment of a law clerk as an assistant in the Attorney-General's department ; and the

Resolve.

Resolve in favor of the Worcester County Free Institute of Industrial Science, were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Reports.

The reports of the committee on the Judiciary, on an order relative to the better security of the freedom of religious worship in certain institutions ; and

On an order relative to amending section 9 of chapter 222 of the Public Statutes relative to religious instruction in public institutions, were severally laid on the table.

Lemira C.
Pennell.

The House report of the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, on the petition of Lemira C. Pennell for an investigation of the acts of certain officials of the State Board of Health, Lunacy and Charity in 1883 in endeavoring to cause her to be detained in a lunatic hospital, was accepted in concurrence.

Adjourned.

TUESDAY, May 11, 1886.

Met according to adjournment.

Eastern Rail-
road Co.

Mr. Phillips, from the committee on Railroads, on the petition of J. E. Moody and others, reported a bill relating to the bridge of the Eastern Railroad Company across the Rowley River ; and

Sunderland
Bridge.

Mr. Phillips, from the committee on Towns, on the petition of the selectmen of Deerfield and Sunderland, reported a bill relating to the sale of the toll house of the

Sunderland Bridge, and these bills were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Mr. Dunbar, from the committee on the Judiciary on the House bills relative to the issuing of process by the clerks of certain courts; and Process, issuing of.

Relating to commitment for contempt of court (in a new draft of the Senate bill), reported that these bills severally ought to pass and they were ordered to a second reading. Contempt of court.

Mr. Lilley, from the committee on the Judiciary, on the House bill concerning private detectives, reported that the bill ought not to pass and it was placed in the Orders of Day for to-morrow on the question of rejection. Private detectives.

Mr. Morse presented a petition of Mrs. L. H. Daggett and 391 others for additional legislation to punish the crime of seduction and to raise the age of consent; Seduction, etc.

Referred to the committee on Judiciary.

Order Adopted.

On motion of Mr. Lilley, —

Ordered, That the committee on State House report to the Legislature forthwith as to the present condition of the State House elevators, what work, if any, is being done in repairing or reconstructing them, and under whose authority and direction such work, if any, is being done, and what the probable expense thereof will be. State House elevators.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Papers from the House.

Bills

To grant additional powers to the Marblehead Gas Light Company and to change its name, in a new draft of the Senate bill; and Marblehead Gas Light Co.

In addition to an Act to incorporate the North Woburn Street Railway Company, on the petition of the said company, recommitted, were severally read and ordered to a second reading. North Woburn Street Railway Co.

A resolve, granting to the county of Hampshire a county tax, was read and referred to the committee on the Treasury. Hampshire County.

Everett, town of.

A petition of the water commissioners of the town of Everett for legislation authorizing said town to raise annually by taxation not exceeding \$5,000 to extend its water works, was referred in concurrence, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule, to the committee on Water Supply.

Hassanamisco Water Co.

The Senate bill to incorporate the Hassanamisco Water Company came up passed to be engrossed in concurrence with certain amendments, and the Senate concurred therein.

Assayer of Liquors.

A report of the State Assayer of Liquors of his work from the 26th of June, 1885, to the 26th of April, 1886, was taken from the table and placed on file.

Dukes County.

The House bill for the protection of fish in a portion of the county of Dukes County was taken from the table. Mr. Reed presented a remonstrance of William W. King against the passage of the bill, and the same was read. The bill was then amended, on motions of Messrs. Norris, Douglas and Cogswell, as follows:—

Insert in section 1, line 6, after the words “of the,” the words “towns of Edgartown and Cottage City in the.”

Strike out from section 1, from lines 6 to 18, the words “lying within the following boundaries, namely: starting from the south side of Washqua Bluff; thence, by a line running due east one and one-half miles from the shore; thence, by a line running northerly and northwesterly, and following the line of the shore one and one-half miles distant from the same, to a point one and one-half miles northerly from the entrance of Vineyard Haven Harbor; thence, to the entrance of Vineyard Haven Harbor, and by the easterly line of the town of Tisbury, to the southerly end of the same; and thence easterly to the point of beginning,” and insert in the place thereof the words “within three miles from the shores of said towns.”

Also strike out from section 1, line 23, the words “in said nets,” and insert in place thereof the words “by the above means and the seines, nets, boats and other apparatus so used.”

Strike out from section 2, line 2, the words “or information.”

Mr. Norris then moved to insert a new section 4, as follows :—" *Sect. 4.* This act shall take effect upon the first day of June in the year eighteen hundred and eighty-six"; and the question on this motion was determined as follows, to wit :—

YEAS. — Messrs. Alger,	Douglas,	Emerson,
Gleason,	Gould,	Gove,
Gunn,	Jefferson,	Jefts,
Jones, E. D. G.,	Joslin,	Kendricken,
Milliken,	Morse,	Norris,
Phillips,	Wilbur.—17.	

NAYS. — Messrs. Boynton,	Cogswell,	Dunbar,
Forbes,	Howard,	Lilley,
Locke,	McGahey,	Murphy,
Nourse,	Reed,	Scott—12.

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Bigelow	Harlow,	Hayes,
Howland,	Jones, F. W.,	Joyner,
Morrill,	Naphen,	Tappan,
Walker—10.		

So the motion was carried in the affirmative and the bill, as amended, ordered to a third reading.

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

The Senate report of the joint committee on the Judiciary, on the petitions of E. C. Butler and others for the setting off of Beverly, Topsfield and Danvers from the jurisdiction of the First District Court of Essex County, was considered. The bill proposed by Mr. Emerson as a substitute was rejected and the report accepted.

E. C. Butler
et als.

Sent down for concurrence.

The bills

Authorizing certain cities to license any citizens of the United States as private detectives; and

To provide a building for the chronic insane at the State Workhouse at Bridgewater, were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The bill to provide for the establishment of a truant school on the mainland in the city of Boston, was read a third time and laid on the table.

Boston.

Great Barrington Fire District.

The Senate bill to confirm the proceedings of the last annual meeting of the Great Barrington Fire District, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Wm. S. Wiley et als.

The Senate bill in favor of William S. and Geo. O. Wiley, and of Joseph Dickson, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed with a new title reported by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, viz., — Bill to authorize the city of Boston to pay certain claims.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Factories, etc., accidents in.

The Senate bill relative to reports of accidents in factories and manufacturing establishments (in a new draft of the House bill of the same title) was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Justices.

The bill providing that justices who receive complaints and issue warrants shall not preside at trials upon such complaints, was read a third time, amended on motions, severally, of Messrs. Forbes and Alger, and passed over.

Appropriations.

The House bill in addition to an act making appropriations for expenses authorized the present year, and for certain other expenses authorized by law; and the

House resolves

Resolves.

Providing for printing certain reports of the Commissioners of Inland Fisheries, with the existing laws of the Commonwealth regulating the fisheries; and

Providing for the erection of a boarding house, and for certain repairs and furniture at the State Normal School at Framingham, were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, May 12, 1886.

Met according to adjournment.

Mr. Dunbar, from the joint committee on the Judiciary, on so much of the Governor's Address as relates to fugitives from justice, to indeterminate sentences and to national bank taxes, reported, in part, a bill in relation to the fees and expenses of agents appointed by the Governor to demand of the authorities of other States offenders fleeing from justice; and

Fugitives from justice.

Mr. Norris, from the committee on Railroads, on an order in relation to the subject, reported a bill relating to the examination and test of safety couplers on freight cars, and these bills were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Freight cars, safety couplers on.

Mr. Joyner, on leave, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule, introduced a bill to confirm the proceedings of the last annual meeting of the Lee Fire District; and

Lee Fire District.

Mr. Lilley, on leave, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule, introduced a bill relating to regulations that may be adopted by aldermen and selectmen concerning street parades in cities and towns;

Street parades.

Severally referred to the committee on the Judiciary, and sent down for concurrence in the suspension of the 12th Joint Rule.

Came up concurred.

Petitions presented and referred : —

By Mr. Walker, a petition of Cynthia G. Melvin for payment to her of a dividend of the Mercantile Savings Institution, belonging to her, in the hands of the State treasurer;

Cynthia G. Melvin.

Referred, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule, to the committee on the Treasury.

Sent down for concurrence in the suspension of the 12th Joint Rule.

Came up concurred.

By Mr. Gove, a petition for an amendment to the charter of the Chelsea Gas Light Company, authorizing it to furnish electric lights in the city of Chelsea and town of Revere;

Chelsea Gas Light Co.

Under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule, to the committee on Manufactures.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Order Adopted.

On motion of Mr. Milliken, —
 Adjournment. *Ordered*, That when the Senate adjourn on Thursday of each week it adjourn to meet on Friday morning at eleven o'clock.

Papers from the House.

Bills. A bill to permit a defendant in an action at law to require adverse parties claiming funds in his hands to interplead, was read and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

A bill to establish the salary of the second clerk in the office of the Secretary of the Commonwealth (on the petition of Isaac H. Edgett) ; and

Resolves

Resolves. Providing for the payment of current expenses at the Westborough Insane Hospital at Westborough on the report of the trustees ;

Providing for the completion of, for additions to, and for furnishing and equipping the Westborough Insane Hospital at Westborough, on the report of the trustees ; and

In favor of William E. Cunningham (on the petition of the same), were severally read and referred to the committee on the Treasury ;

The following paper was referred in concurrence : —

Charlestown
Gas Co.

A petition of the Charlestown Gas Company for an amendment to its charter so that it may be authorized to furnish electric light, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule, to the committee on Manufactures.

Bills Enacted.

Bills enacted
and to Gov-
ernor.

The following engrossed bills (the first two of which originated in the Senate) passed to be enacted, and were laid before the Governor for his approval to wit : —

Authorizing the city of Malden to divide said city into

seven wards and to abolish the office of alderman at large.

To prohibit the seining of bluefish in the waters of Vineyard Sound, opposite the towns of Barnstable and Mashpee.

To amend section one of chapter three hundred and forty-five of the acts of the year eighteen hundred and eighty-five, relating to naturalization.

To authorize the county commissioners of Hampshire County to borrow money to build a new court house. Cyrus W.
Field et al.

The order that the committee on Claims be and hereby is discharged from the further consideration of the petitions of Cyrus W. Field and others, and Brewster, Cobb & Estabrook, and that the said petitioners have leave to withdraw, was taken from the table and indefinitely postponed.

The House report of the committee on Taxation, reference to the next General Court, on an order relative to imposing a tax upon all testate and intestate estates, accepted by the House, and recommitted by the Senate to the committee on Taxation, under a suspension of the 4th Joint Rule, with instructions to further consider the subject and to report to the other branch, in which the House non-concurs, was taken from the table and the motion of Mr. Joyner that the Senate insist on its former action and ask for a committee of conference being considered, Mr. Reed raised the point of order, which, being stated, was, that the recommitment of this report with instructions was not a proper subject for a committee of conference. Testate and
intestate es-
tates.

The Chair ruled that the point of order was not well taken (see Appendix), and the motion was carried in the affirmative, and Messrs. Joyner, Morse and Douglas were appointed said committee on the part of the Senate.

Sent down for concurrence.

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

The bill providing that justices who receive complaints and issue warrants shall not preside at trials upon such complaints was further considered, the question being on passing the bill to be engrossed. Justices.

The bill was further amended upon motion of Mr. Forbes and recommitted to the committee on the Judiciary.

The bills
Bills. Relating to the bridge of the Eastern Railroad Company across the Rowley River ;
 Relating to the sale of the toll house of the Sunderland bridge ;
 To grant additional powers to the Marblehead Gas Light Company and to change its name ;
 In addition to an act to incorporate the North Woburn Street Railway Company ;
 Relative to the issuing of process by the clerks of certain courts ; and
 Relating to commitment for contempt of court, were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Private detectives. The House bill concerning private detectives was considered and the question being on the rejection of the bill as proposed by the committee on the Judiciary, it was carried in the negative and the bill was ordered to a second reading.

Ibid. The Senate bill authorizing certain cities to license any citizens of the United States as private detectives, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.
 Sent down for concurrence.

State Work-house. The House bill to provide a building for the chronic insane at the State Workhouse at Bridgewater, was read a third time and passed be engrossed in concurrence.

Dukes County. The House bill for the protection of fish in a portion of the county of Dukes County was read a third time and amended on motions, severally, of Messrs. Forbes and Dunbar.

Mr. Cogswell moved to strike out section 4, as inserted yesterday, and the question on this motion was determined as follows, to wit : —

YEAS. — Messrs. Boynton, Howard, Walker. — 7.	Cogswell, Reed,	Dunbar, Scott,
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NAYS. — Messrs. Alger, Gleason, Gunn, Joslin, Milliken, Phillips,	Douglas, Gould, Jefts, Kendricken, Norris, Wilbur. — 17.	Forbes, Gove, Jones, E. D. G., Locke, Nourse,
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ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Bigelow,	Emerson,	Harlow,
Hayes,	Howland,	Jefferson,
Jones, F. W.,	Joyner,	Lilley,
McGahey,	Morrill,	Morse,
Murphy,	Napfen,	Tappan. — 15.

So the motion was lost.

The bill was then passed to be engrossed in concurrence with the amendments, which were sent down for concurrence.

Adjourned.

THURSDAY, May 13, 1886.

Met according to adjournment.

Mr. Wilbur, from the committee on Cities, on the petition of the mayor of Newburyport, reported a bill to authorize the city of Newburyport to increase its debt for certain purposes; and

Mr. Jefts, from the committee on Manufactures, on the petition of the Chelsea Gas Light Company, reported a bill to authorize the Chelsea Gas Light Company to hold additional real estate and to lay pipes and furnish gas in the town of Revere, and these bills were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Mr. Jones of Berkshire, from the committee on Federal Relations, on the resolution relative to the National Board of Health, reported that the same ought not to pass, and it was placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow, on the question of rejection.

Mr. Walker, from the committee on the Treasury, on the House bill to establish the salary of the second clerk in the office of the Secretary of the Commonwealth; and the

House resolves

Resolves.

In favor of William E. Cunningham; and
Granting to the county of Hampshire a county tax; and
Mr. Douglas, from the same committee, on the

House resolves

Providing for the payment of current expenses at the Westborough Insane Hospital at Westborough; and

Providing for the completion of, for additions to, and for furnishing and equipping the Westborough Insane Hospital at Westborough, reported that this bill and these resolves severally ought to pass, and they were ordered to a second reading.

Telephone charges.

Mr. Jones of Berkshire presented a petition of S. Blackinton Woolen Company and others of North Adams, that telephone charges may be limited by law, and the same was placed on file.

Order Adopted.

On motion of Mr. Norris, —

Despatch of business.

Ordered, That the joint special committee on the "Despatch of Business" are requested to report to the two branches, as soon as practicable, when, in their judgment, the legislature can be prorogued without detriment to the public interest.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Papers from the House.

Bills

Bills.

In relation to taxation of telephone companies (on an order in relation to the subject);

In relation to the returns of foreign mining, quarrying and oil companies (on an order in relation to the subject); and

In relation to the exemption of the property of certain literary and other associations from taxation (on an order in relation to the subject), were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Intoxicating liquors.

A report of the committee on Liquor Law, that no legislation is necessary, on the report of the board of police of the city of Boston, in response to an order, stating the number of places licensed for the sale of intoxicating liquors in Boston, was read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow.

Papers from the House.

A resolve in favor of the town of Ashland (on the petition of the selectmen of said town); a

Ashland,
town of.

Bill to establish the salaries of the Adjutant-General and the first clerk in the department of the Adjutant-General (on an order in relation to the subject); and a

Adjutant-
General.

Resolve providing rooms for the Bureau of Statistics of Labor (on an order in relation to the subject), were severally read and referred to the committee on the Treasury.

Statistics of
Labor.

The following papers were referred in concurrence:—

A petition of Andrew Dodge, John Meacom and 48 others for the enactment and enforcement of the provisions of the bill concerning oleomargarine;

Oleomargarine.

To the committee on Agriculture.

A petition of J. J. H. Gregory and others for legislation to enable the town of Marblehead to increase its water supply;

J. J. H. Greg-
ory et al.

Under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule, to the committee on Water Supply, with instructions to give a hearing after giving such notice as the committee deem expedient.

The Senate refused to suspend the 12th Joint Rule to admit the House petition of the Newton and Watertown Gas Light Company for an amendment of its charter so as to authorize it to produce and supply the public with electric light.

Newton and
Watertown Gas
Light Co.

Bills Enacted.

The following engrossed bills (all of which originated in the House) passed to be enacted and were laid before the Governor for his approval, to wit:—

Bills enacted
and to Gov-
ernor.

To confirm the proceedings of the town meetings of certain towns.

Authorizing corporations to issue special stock to be held by their employees only.

To extend the duration of the lien of assessments for main drains or common sewers.

To change the name of the Dedham and Hyde Park Gas Company to the Dedham and Hyde Park Gas and Elec-

tric Light Company, and to authorize said corporation to furnish electric light.

To authorize the town of Norwood to make an additional water loan.

For the better protection of public records.

In addition to an Act making appropriations for expenses authorized the present year, and certain other expenses authorized by law.

General Court,
pay of mem-
bers.

The motion to reconsider the vote by which the Senate accepted the report of the committee on Public Service, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to further legislation in regard to the compensation of members of the present legislature, was taken from the table and the motion was withdrawn.

John Rogers
et al.

The report of the committee on Public Service, on the petition of John Rogers and E. Dewing Foss, constables in the municipal court of the South Boston District, for increase of salary, was taken from the table and ordered to be placed in the Orders of the Day for Monday next.

Street railways.

The Senate report of the committee on Street Railways, on the order relative to transferring the jurisdiction over street railways in the city of Boston from the board of aldermen to the board of railroad commissioners, was taken from the table and accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Officers, clerks,
etc.

The Senate report of the committee on Public Service, on the order relative to a revision of the laws regarding the compensation of all officers, clerks and employees of the Commonwealth and of the several counties thereof, was taken from the table and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow.

Inland waters.

The Senate bill to protect the purity of inland waters was taken from the table and ordered to be placed in the Orders of the Day for Tuesday next.

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

Fugitives from
justice.

The bill in relation to the fees and expenses of agents appointed by the Governor to demand of the authorities of other States, offenders fleeing from justice, was read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Senate bill relating to the examination and test of ^{Freight cars,} safety couplers on freight cars, was read twice under a ^{safety couplers on.} suspension of the rules, and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence under a suspension of Senate Rule, No. 9.

Came up concurred.

The House bill concerning private detectives was read ^{Private} a second time and refused a third reading. ^{detectives.}

The Senate bill relating to the sale of the toll house of ^{Sunderland} the Sunderland Bridge was read a third time and passed ^{Bridge.} to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

The House bill to grant additional powers to the ^{Marblehead Gas} Marblehead Gas Light Company and to change its name ^{Light Co.} was read a third time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

The bill in addition to an act to incorporate the North ^{North Woburn} Woburn Street Railway Company was read a third time, ^{Street Railway} amended on motion of Mr. Forbes and passed to be engrossed in concurrence with the amendment, which was ^{Co.} sent down for concurrence, under a suspension of Senate Rule No. 9.

Came up concurred.

The House bills

Bills.

Relative to the issuing of process by the clerks of certain courts; and

Relating to commitment for contempt of court, were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Adjourned.

FRIDAY, May 14, 1886.

Met according to adjournment.

Representatives,
apportionment
of.

Mr. Dunbar, from the committee on Re-districting the Commonwealth, on the order relative to the abstract of returns of the decennial census reported, in part, a bill to apportion representatives to the several counties.

Springfield Im-
proved Dwell-
ings Associa-
tion.

Mr. Cogswell, from the committee on Judiciary, on the petition of H. M. Phillips, reported a bill to incorporate the Improved Dwellings Association of Springfield.

Haverhill and
Bradford.

Mr. Howard, from the committee of Roads and Bridges, on the petition of George W. Ladd and others, reported a bill relative to the laying out a footway on the railroad bridge between the city of Haverhill and the town of Bradford; and

Lee, Town of.

Mr. Walker, from the committee on the Treasury, on the order relative to the payment of a sum of money to the town of Lee, reported a resolve granting aid to the town of Lee, and these bills and this resolve were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

State House
elevators.

Mr. Joslin, from the committee on the State House, to whom was referred the order relative to the work of repairing the elevators, submitted the following report:—

The elevators are in charge of the State House Commission, and by their authority Mr. Hanford, the builder, is trying to put them in order, according to plans and specifications now in their possession, and which are acceptable to the Chief of the District Police. Mr. Hanford agrees to do the work without pay. If the pit is put in order it will cost three hundred dollars.

The report was accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

Papers from the House.

Bills

Bills.

In relation to the Protestant Episcopal and Reformed Episcopal Churches (in a new draft of the bill of the same title returned to the Senate at its request, by the Governor and enactment reconsidered);

To exempt a portion of the property of the Yarmouth Camp Meeting Association from taxation (on the petition of W. V. Morrison and another) ;

To incorporate the Milford Electric Light and Power Company (on the petition of G. M. Green and others) ; and

To provide for returns of certificates of damage by dogs and to change the time for paying over the money received for licenses (on petition of John E. Russell and others), were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Papers from the House.

The Senate bill to incorporate the Stoughton Water Company came up passed to be engrossed in concurrence, with an amendment, and the Senate concurred therein.

Stoughton
Water Co.

Bills Enacted and Resolves Passed.

The following engrossed bills (the first five of which originated in the Senate) passed to be enacted, to wit:—

Bills enacted
and to Gov.
ernor.

To require the county of Plymouth to provide a suitable place for the sittings of the superior court in the city of Brockton.

Extending the time in which the city of Cambridge shall make a revision of its ward boundaries and an apportionment of members of its common council in the year eighteen hundred and eighty-six.

To authorize the town of Chatham to take stock in a railroad corporation.

To authorize the town of Hudson to make an additional water loan.

To incorporate the Hassanamisco Water Company.

To ratify and confirm the action of the town of Marlborough, in relation to its water supply.

Providing for publishing reports of capital trials.

To amend an act to provide for enlarging the jail and house of correction at New Bedford in the county of Bristol.

Relating to the drainage of East Boston.

Relative to the appointment of a law clerk as an assistant in the attorney-general's department.

To provide a building for the chronic insane at the State Workhouse at Bridgewater.

Resolves
passed, etc.

The following engrossed resolves (all of which originated in the House of Representatives) passed, and with the above named bills were laid before the Governor for his approval, to wit:—

Providing for the erection of a boarding-house and for certain repairs and furniture at the State Normal School at Framingham.

In favor of the Worcester County Free Institute of Industrial Science.

Providing for printing certain reports of the Commissioners on Inland Fisheries with the existing laws of the Commonwealth regulating the fisheries.

Private
detectives.

On motion of Mr. Dunbar, the vote by which the House bill concerning private detectives was yesterday refused a third reading was reconsidered and the bill ordered to be placed in the Orders of the Day for Tuesday next.

John Rogers
et al.

On motion of Mr. Alger, the vote by which the Senate assigned for consideration, on Monday next, the report of the committee on Public Service, on the petition of John Rogers and E. Dewing Foss, constables in the municipal court of the South Boston District, for increase of salary was reconsidered and amended by substituting the word "Thursday" for the word "Monday" and adopted as amended.

Newton and
Watertown Gas
Light Co.

Mr. Cogswell moved to reconsider the vote by which the Senate refused to suspend the 12th Joint Rule to admit the House petition of the Newton and Watertown Gas Light Company for an amendment of its charter so as to authorize it to produce and supply the public with electric light, and the motion was laid on the table.

Secretary of
Board of
Commissioners
of Prisons.

The bill to establish the salary of the Secretary of the Board of Commissioners of Prisons was taken from the table and ordered to be placed in the Orders of the Day for Monday next.

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

Employees of
Commonwealth.

The Senate report of the committee on Public Service on the order relative to a revision of the laws regarding the compensation of all officers, clerks and employees of

the Commonwealth and of the several counties thereof was accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The House bill in relation to taxation of telephone companies was read a second time and ordered to be placed in the Orders of the Day for Tuesday next. Telephone companies, taxation of.

The bills

To authorize the city of Newburyport to increase its debt for certain purposes; Bills.

To authorize the Chelsea Gas Light Company to hold additional real estate and to lay pipes and furnish gas in the town of Revere;

In relation to the returns of foreign mining, quarrying and oil companies;

In relation to the exemption of the property of certain literary and other associations from taxation; and

The resolves

Providing for the payment of current expenses at the Westborough Insane Hospital at Westborough; Resolves.

Providing for the completion of, for addition to, and for furnishing and equipping the Westborough Insane Hospital at Westborough;

In favor of William E. Cunningham; and

Granting to the county of Hampshire a county tax, were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The House bill to establish the salary of the second clerk in the office of the Secretary of the Commonwealth was read a second time and refused a third reading. Secretary of Commonwealth.

The Senate bill in relation to the fees and expenses of agents appointed by the Governor to demand of the authorities of other States, offenders fleeing from justice was read a third time and passed to be engrossed. Fugitives from justice.

Sent down for concurrence.

The resolution relative to the National Board of Health was, in accordance with the report of the committee thereon, rejected. National Board of Health.

The House report of the committee on Liquor Law on the report of the board of police of the city of Boston, Intoxicating liquors.

in response to an order of the House adopted February 3, stating the number of places licensed for the sale of intoxicating liquors in Boston, was accepted in concurrence.

Adjourned.

MONDAY, May 17, 1886.

Met according to adjournment.

Boston, city of. Mr. Wilbur, from the committee on Cities, on the petition of the mayor of Boston that said city be authorized to borrow money for the construction of parks, reported a bill in addition to an act for the laying out of public parks in or near the city of Boston.

Braintree Water Supply Co. Mr. Scott, from the committee on Water Supply, on the petition of F. A. Hobart and others, reported a bill to incorporate the Braintree Water Supply Company.

Cynthia G. Melvin. Mr. Walker, from the committee on the Treasury, on the petition of Cynthia G. Melvin, reported a resolve in favor of Cynthia G. Melvin, and these bills and the resolve were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Stephen N. Gifford. A communication was received from Mr. Augustus Marshall presenting to the Senate a crayon portrait of the late Hon. Stephen N. Gifford and requesting that the same be hung in the clerk's room, and the communication was laid on the table.

Secretary of Commonwealth. Mr. Lilley moved to reconsider the vote by which the Senate refused to order to a third reading the bill to establish the salary of the second clerk in the office of the Secretary of the Commonwealth, and the motion was laid on the table.

Adjutant-General. Mr. Walker, from the committee on the Treasury, on the House bill to establish the salaries of the Adjutant-General and the first clerk in the department of the Adjutant-General, and Mr. Scott from the committee on the Judiciary, on the House bill in relation to the service of warrants and other criminal processes, reported that these

bills severally ought to pass and they were ordered to a second reading.

Mr. Kendricken, from the committee on Cities, on the petition of the mayor of Boston for additional legislation to secure a more speedy and prompt filling of vacancies in both branches of the city council, reported that the petitioner have leave to withdraw, and the report was read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow.

Boston, City of.

Papers from the House.

Bills

Relating to sidewalks, crosswalks, common sewers and main drains in the fire district of the town of Great Barrington, and for other purposes, on the petition of C. J. Burget and others and Samuel Camp and others ;

Great Barrington.

Relative to instituting proceedings for violations of the terms and conditions of leases of great ponds, on sundry petitions relating to the cancellation of leases of great ponds in certain cases ;

Great ponds

To prohibit the shooting of wild fowl in the waters in and around Nantucket, on the petition of Isaac H. Folger and others ;

Nantucket.

To authorize the town of Lenox to construct a system of sewage disposal, on the petition of the selectmen of Lenox ; and

Lenox, town of

To establish the salaries of the commissioners of savings banks and of the first and second clerks of said commissioners, on an order relative to the employment of additional clerical and expert assistance by the commissioners of savings banks, and the re-arrangement of salaries in said department, were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Bank commissioners.

A bill in relation to the sale of goods at auction was read and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Auction sales.

A resolve in favor of Z. K. Harmon, on the petition of the same, was read and referred to the committee on the Treasury.

Z. K. Harmon.

The Senate bill to establish the salaries of the standing justice and clerk of the police court of Lowell, came up passed to be engrossed in concurrence with an amendment, and the bill was ordered to be placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow.

Lowell, police court of.

Board of arbitration.

The House bill to provide for a State board of arbitration for the settlement of differences between employers and their employees came up. The House concurs in the Senate amendments at "A," "B," "D," "E," "F," "G," "H," "I," "J" and "K," and non-concurs in the amendment at "C." And the bill was ordered to be placed first in the Orders of the Day for Wednesday next.

Annie W. Woods.

A report of the committee on Military Affairs, granting leave to withdraw on the petition of Annie W. Woods, widow of Sergeant John S. Woods, 16th Battery Massachusetts Volunteers, for State aid, was read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow.

Testate and intestate estates.

The House report of the committee on Taxation, reference to the next General Court, on an order relative to imposing a tax upon all testate and intestate estates, came up. The House concurs in the appointment of a committee of conference on the disagreeing votes of the two branches, and Messrs. Bailey of Everett, Bosworth of Easthampton, and Quinn of Boston are appointed on the part of the House.

Water companies.

The Senate bill relating to the purchase by cities and towns of the franchises and property of water companies, came up recommitted, with instructions to give a public hearing, and the Senate concurred therein.

Reports.**The reports**

Of the committee on Education on an order relative to providing industrial education for juvenile offenders and neglected children in the public institutions ;

Of the committee on the State House on the report of the State House Commission on the work performed and expenditures made under its direction during the year 1885 ;

Of the committee on the Judiciary on an order relative to amending section 9 of chapter 222 of the Public Statutes relative to religious instruction in public institutions ; and

On an order relative to the better security of the freedom of religious worship in certain institutions, were severally taken from the table and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow.

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

The Senate bill to establish the salary of the Secretary of the Board of Commissioners of Prisons was passed to be engrossed. Commissioners of Prisons.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The Senate bill relating to the bridge of the Eastern Railroad Company across the Rowley River was read a third time, amended as proposed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading and passed to be engrossed. Eastern R.R. Co.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The bills

To apportion representatives to the several counties ; Bills.

To incorporate the Improved Dwellings Association of Springfield ;

In relation to the Protestant Episcopal and Reformed Episcopal Churches ;

To exempt a portion of the property of the Yarmouth Camp Meeting Association from taxation ;

To incorporate the Milford Electric Light and Power Company ;

To provide for returns of certificates of damage by dogs and to change the time for paying over the money received for licenses ; and the

Resolve granting aid to the town of Lee, were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Senate bill relative to the laying out and construction of a footway on the railroad bridge between the city of Haverhill and the town of Bradford was read a second time, amended on motion of Mr. Cogswell, and the question on ordering the same to a third reading was determined as follows, to wit : — Haverhill and Bradford.

YEAS. — Messrs. Alger,
Emerson,
Gove,
Lilley,
Norris,
Walker,

Bigelow,
Forbes,
Howard,
McGahey,
Nourse,
Wilbur. — 17.

Cogswell,
Gleason,
Kendrick,
Morse,
Scott,

NAYS — Messrs. Boynton,
Howland,
Milliken,

Dunbar,
Jones, F. W.,
Murphy,

Gould,
Locke,
Tappan. — 9.

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ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Gunn,	Harlow,	Hayes,
Jefferson,	Jefts,	Jones, E. D. G.,
Joyner,	Morrill,	Naphen,
Phillips,	Reed.— 11.	

PAIRED — Mr. Douglas (yea) with Mr. Joslin (nay). — 2.

So the bill was ordered to a third reading.

Newburyport.

The Senate bill to authorize the city of Newburyport to increase its debt for certain purposes was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Chelsea Gas
Light Co.

The Senate bill to authorize the Chelsea Gas Light Company to hold additional real estate, and to lay pipes and furnish gas in the town of Revere was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Bills.

The House bills

In relation to the returns of foreign mining, quarrying and oil companies ;

In relation to the exemption of the property of certain literary and other associations from taxation ; and the

Resolves.

House resolves

Providing for the payment of current expense at the Westborough Insane Hospital at Westborough ;

Providing for the completion of, for additions to, and for furnishing and equipping the Westborough Insane Hospital at Westborough ;

In favor of William E Cunningham ; and

Granting to the county of Hampshire a county tax, were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Adjourned.

TUESDAY, May 18, 1886.

Met according to adjournment.

Mr. Boynton, from the committee on Mercantile Lumber. Affairs, on the order relative to a revision of chapter 63 of the Public Statutes of Massachusetts in regard to the survey and sale of lumber, so as to provide for a clearer definition of the law, and for the purpose of establishing a greater uniformity in the inspection, reported a bill enlarging the district of the surveyor-general of lumber, establishing the fees of surveyors, and defining the special grades of lumber, and the same was read and referred to the committee on the Treasury.

Mr. Douglas, from the committee on the Treasury, on Statistics of Labor, Bureau of Bureau of Statistics of Labor; and the House resolve providing rooms for the use of the

Mr. Walker, from the same committee, on the House Ashland, town of. resolve in favor of the town of Ashland, reported that these resolves severally ought to pass, and they were ordered to a second reading.

Order Adopted.

On motion of Mr. Norris, —

Ordered, That the Clerk communicate to Mr. Augustus Stephen N. Marshall of Boston the acceptance of the gift of a crayon Gifford. portrait of the late Hon. Stephen N. Gifford and extend the thanks of the Senate therefor, and that the Sergeant-at-arms provide a suitable frame for said portrait.

*Papers from the House.***Bills**

To permit boards of health to grant certificates to Vaccination. children who have not been vaccinated, so as to allow them to attend the public schools (on an order relative to such legislation as will authorize the school committee of the various cities and towns in the Commonwealth to admit pupils to the public schools who have not been vaccinated, if the board of health shall so consent in writing); and

To incorporate the Central Congregational Church in Chelmsford. Chelmsford (on the petition of F. W. Robinson and

others), were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Charles G.
Stevens et al.

A report of the committee on Drainage, granting leave to withdraw, on the petition of Charles G. Stevens, John H. Corcoran and Jonas E. Howe, committee of the town of Clinton, for authority to construct a system of sewers, was read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow.

Soldiers and
sailors.

A bill authorizing the appointment to office of honorably discharged soldiers and sailors without competitive civil service examinations, was read and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Treasurer and
Receiver-
General

A bill in relation to office hours in the department of the Treasurer and Receiver-General, was read and referred to the committee on the Treasury.

Probate bonds.

The Senate bill relating to allowances by judges of probate to Fidelity Insurance Companies for acting as surety on probate bonds, came up, passed to be engrossed with an amendment striking out the title, and inserting in the place thereof the following: "An Act relating to sureties on probate bonds"; and the Senate concurred therein.

Street railway
companies.

The Senate bill to authorize certain street railway companies to lease and to purchase and hold the property, rights and franchises of, and to unite and consolidate with, each other, and to establish and maintain the cable system of motive power, came up, passed to be engrossed in concurrence with certain amendments, and the Senate concurred therein.

Bills Enacted.

Bills enacted
and to Gov-
ernor.

The following engrossed bills (the first of which originated in the Senate) passed to be enacted and were laid before the Governor for his approval, to wit:—

Extending the powers of certain insurance companies.
To incorporate the Saugus Water Company.

Secretary of
the Common-
wealth.

The motion to reconsider the vote by which the Senate refused to order to a third reading the bill to establish the salary of the second clerk in the office of the Secre-

tary of the Commonwealth, was taken from the table and ordered to be placed in the Orders of the Day for tomorrow.

The communication from Augustus Marshall presenting a portrait of the late Hon. Stephen N. Gifford was taken from the table and placed on file. Stephen N. Gifford.

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

The bills

To protect the purity of inland waters ; Bills and Resolve.
 To incorporate the Braintree Water Supply Company ;
 To establish the salaries of the Adjutant-General and the first clerk in the department of the Adjutant-General ;
 In relation to the service of warrants and other criminal processes ;
 To authorize the town of Lenox to construct a system of sewage disposal ;
 Relative to instituting proceedings for violations of the terms and conditions of leases of great ponds ;
 To prohibit the shooting of wild fowl in the waters in and around Nantucket ; and the
 Resolve in favor of Cynthia G. Melvin, were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The House report of the committee on Education, on an order relative to providing for industrial education for juvenile offenders and neglected children in the public institutions, was accepted in concurrence. Juvenile offenders, etc.

The Senate report of the committee on the State House, on the report of the State House Commission on the work performed and expenditures made under its direction during the year 1885 was accepted. State House.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The reports

Of the committee on the Judiciary, on an order relative to the better security of the freedom of religious worship in certain institutions ; and Reports.

On an order relative to amending section 9 of chapter 222 of the Public Statutes relative to religious instruction in public institutions were severally passed over.

Private
detectives.

The bill concerning private detectives was amended, on motion of Mr. Dunbar, and ordered to a third reading.

Boston, city of.

The bill in addition to an act for the laying out of public parks in or near the city of Boston was read a second time and ordered to be placed in the Orders of the Day for Thursday next.

Great Bar-
rington.

The bill relating to sidewalks, crosswalks, common sewers and main drains in the fire district of the town of Great Barrington, and for other purposes, was read a second time, amended on motion of Mr. Joyner, and ordered to a third reading.

Telephone
companies.

The House bill in relation to taxation of telephone companies was considered, and the question on ordering the same to a third reading was determined as follows, to wit: —

YEAS. — Messrs.	Bigelow,	Cogswell,	Douglas,
	Dunbar,	Forbes,	Gleason,
	Gould,	Gunn,	Harlow,
	Hayes,	Howard,	Jefts,
	Jones, E. D. G.,	Jones, F. W.,	Joslin,
	Kendricken,	Lilley,	Locke,
	McGahey,	Morse,	Nourse,
	Walker,	Wilbur. — 23.	

NAYS. — Messrs.	Alger,	Boynton,	Emerson,
	Howland,	Milliken,	Reed,
	Tappan. — 7.		

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Gove,	Jefferson,	Joyner,
Morrill,	Murphy,	Naphen,
Norris,	Phillips,	Scott. — 9.

So the bill was ordered to a third reading.

Commissioners
of savings banks.

The House bill to establish the salaries of the commissioners of savings banks and of the first and second clerks of said commissioners was read a second time. Mr. Hayes moved to amend the bill by striking out section 1, and the question on this motion was determined as follows, to wit: —

YEAS. — Messrs.	Alger,	Cogswell,	Douglas,
	Emerson,	Gunn,	Hayes,
	Howland,	Locke,	Nourse. — 9.

NAYS. — Messrs. Boynton,	Dunbar,	Forbes,
Gleason,	Gould,	Howard,
Jefts,	Joslin,	Lilley,
McGahey,	Milliken,	Morse,
Norris,	Phillips,	Tappan,
Wilbur. — 16.		

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Bigelow,	Gove,	Harlow,
Jefferson,	Jones, E. D. G.,	Jones, F. W.
Kendricken,	Morrill,	Murphy,
Naphen,	Reed,	Scott. — 12.

PAIRED. — Mr. Joyner (yea) with Mr. Walker (nay). — 2.

So the motion was lost.

The bill was then amended, on motion of Mr. Gleason, by striking out the words "thirty-three hundred," in the first section, and inserting in the place thereof the words "three thousand," and as amended ordered to a third reading.

The Senate bill to apportion representatives to the several counties was read a third time and passed to be engrossed. Representatives, apportionment of.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The Senate bill to incorporate the Improved Dwellings Association of Springfield was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The Senate bill relative to the laying out and construction of a footway on the railroad bridge between the city of Haverhill and the town of Bradford, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed. Haverhill and Bradford.

Sent down for concurrence.

The Senate resolve granting aid to the town of Lee, Lee, town of. was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

The House bills

In relation to the Protestant Episcopal and Reformed Episcopal Churches; Bills.

To exempt a portion of the property of the Yarmouth Camp-Meeting Association from taxation;

To incorporate the Milford Electric Light and Power Company ; and

To provide for returns of certificates of damage by dogs and to change the time for paying over the money received for licenses, were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Lowell, police
court of.

The Senate bill to establish the salaries of the standing justice and clerk of the police court of Lowell was considered, the question being on concurring in an amendment proposed by the House of Representatives, and the Senate non-concurred therein and the bill was returned to the House for its action.

Annie W.
Woods.

The House report of the committee on Military Affairs, on the petition of Annie W. Woods, widow of Sergeant John S. Woods, 16th Battery Massachusetts Volunteers, for State aid, was accepted in concurrence.

Boston, city of.

The Senate report of the committee on Cities, on the petition of the mayor of Boston for additional legislation to secure a more speedy and prompt filling of vacancies in both branches of the city council, was accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, May 19, 1886.

Met according to adjournment.

Franklin County,
new jail in.

Mr. Tappan, from the committee on Prisons, on the Annual Report of the Commissioners and an order relative to authorizing and requiring the county commissioners of Franklin County to build a new jail and house of correction in said county, and the expediency of repealing so much of chapter 117 of the Acts of the year 1884 as authorizes the said commissioners to borrow money to alter and enlarge the present prison building, reported a bill to provide for the construction of a new jail and house of correction in Franklin County.

Mr. Dunbar, from the committee on Election Laws, ^{Registrars of voters.} on an order in relation to the subject, reported a bill in amendment of section 14 of chapter 298 of the Acts of the year 1884 relating to registrars of voters; and these bills were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Mr. Milliken, on leave, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule, introduced a bill relating to the release of ^{Prisoners, release of.} prisoners for good conduct; and the same was read and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Sent down for concurrence in the suspension of the 12th Joint Rule.

Came up concurred.

Papers from the House.

Bills

To establish the salaries of county commissioners of ^{Bills.} Worcester, Bristol and Plymouth counties (on orders relative to increasing the compensation of the county commissioners of Plymouth County; also of increasing the compensation of the county commissioners of Bristol County; and the petition of the county commissioners of Worcester County for increase of salary);

In relation to the inspection of gas, on the report of the inspector of gas and gas meters;

To increase the common council of the city of Lynn (on the petition of the mayor of Lynn); and a

Resolve concerning the boundary line between Massachusetts and New Hampshire (on so much of the Governor's Address as relates to the New Hampshire boundary) were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

A bill limiting the American Bell Telephone Company ^{Am. Bell Telephone Co.} in holding stock in certain corporations was read and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Order Adopted.

The following order was adopted in concurrence:—

Ordered, That the committee on Federal Relations consider the expediency of such action by the legislature as shall fittingly express the sentiments of the people of the Commonwealth in regard to the recent seizure of ^{American fishing vessels.} American fishing vessels by the Canadian authorities.

Ballots, recount
of.

The Senate bill to provide for a recount of ballots cast at elections held in towns came up passed to be engrossed in concurrence with an amendment, and the Senate concurred therein.

Estates,
release of, etc.

The Senate bill to authorize the release of estates of tenancy by curtesy by the guardian of an insane married man came up passed to be engrossed in concurrence with an amendment, and the Senate concurred therein.

Bills Enacted.

Bills enacted
and to Gov-
ernor.

The following engrossed bills (the first four of which originated in the Senate) passed to be enacted and were laid before the Governor for his approval, to wit:—

Authorizing the establishment and maintenance of evening high schools in certain cities.

Relating to commitment for contempt of court.

To grant additional powers to the Marblehead Gas Light Company and to change its name.

Relative to the issuing of process by the clerks of certain courts.

To authorize the Boston Water Power Company to issue preferred stock.

In relation to the care of jails and houses of correction.

In addition to an An Act to incorporate the North Woburn Street Railway Company.

Dogs.

On motion of Mr. Gleason, the vote of yesterday by which the House bill to provide for returns of certificates of damage by dogs, and to change the time for paying over the money received for licenses was passed to be engrossed, was reconsidered. The bill was then amended, on motion of the same Senator, in section 1, line 15, after the word "full," by inserting the words "on or after the first day of July in each year," and again passed to be engrossed in concurrence with the amendment, which was sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

Secretary of the
Commonwealth.

The motion to reconsider the vote by which the Senate refused to order to a third reading the bill to establish the salary of the second clerk in the office of the Secretary of the Commonwealth, was carried in the affirmative, and the bill thereupon ordered to a third reading.

The House bill to provide for a State board of arbitration for the settlement of differences between employers and their employees was considered, the question being on receding from the Senate amendment at "C," viz., to insert after the words "shall be" in section 1, line 8, the words "an employee or," and the vote thereon was determined as follows, to wit:—

State Board of
Arbitration.

YEAS. — Messrs. Alger,	Bigelow,	Cogswell,
Douglas.	Gove,	Hayes,
Howard,	Howland,	Jones, F. W.,
Joyner,	Kendricken,	Locke,
McGahay,	Morse,	Murphy,
Naphen,	Phillips,	Reed,
Walker. — 19.		

NAYS. — Messrs. Boynton,	Dunbar,	Forbes,
Gleason,	Gould,	Gunn,
Harlow,	Jefferson,	Jefts,
Jones, E. D. G.,	Joslin,	Lilley,
Milliken,	Morrill,	Norris,
Nourse,	Pillsbury,	Tappan,
Wilbur. — 19.		

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Emerson, Scott. — 2.

So the Senate refused to recede.

The report of the committee on the Judiciary, on an order relative to the better security of the freedom of religious worship in certain institutions, was considered. Mr. Naphen moved to substitute a bill for the report of the committee, and the report was ordered to be placed in the Orders of the Day for Tuesday next.

Religious
worship.

The report of the committee on the Judiciary, on an order relative to amending section 9 of chapter 222 of the Public Statutes relative to religious instruction in public institutions, was ordered to be placed in the Orders of the Day for Tuesday next.

Religious
instruction.

The House bill to permit boards of health to grant certificates to children who have not been vaccinated, so as to allow them to attend the public schools, was read a second time and refused a third reading.

Vaccination.

The bill to incorporate the Central Congregational Church in Chelmsford; and

The resolves

Providing rooms for the use of the Bureau of Statistics of Labor; and

In favor of the town of Ashland, were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Private
detectives.

The House bill concerning private detectives was read a third time as heretofore amended, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence with the amendment, which was sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Inland
waters.

The Senate bill to protect the purity of inland waters, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Telephone
companies.

The House bill in relation to taxation of telephone companies, was read a third time and ordered to be placed in the Orders of the Day for Friday next.

Braintree Water
Supply Co.

The Senate bill to incorporate the Braintree Water Supply Company, was read a third time, and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Cynthia G.
Melvin.

The Senate resolve in favor of Cynthia G. Melvin, was read a third time, and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Bills.

The House bills

Relative to instituting proceedings for violations of the terms and conditions of leases of great ponds;

To prohibit the shooting of wild fowl in the waters in and around Nantucket;

To authorize the town of Lenox to construct a system of sewage disposal;

To establish the salaries of the Adjutant-General and the first clerk in the department of the Adjutant-General; and

In relation to the service of warrants and other criminal processes, were severally read a third time, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Commissioners
of Savings
Banks.

The House bill to establish the salaries of the commissioners of savings banks and of the first and second clerks of said commissioners, was read a third time as heretofore

amended, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence, with the amendment, which was sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The House report of the committee on Drainage, on the petition of Charles G. Stevens, John H. Corcoran and Jonas E. Howe, committee of the town of Clinton, for authority to construct a system of sewers, was accepted in concurrence. Charles G. Stevens et al.

The Orders of the Day having been disposed of, Mr. Cogswell moved to reconsider the vote by which the Senate refused to recede from its amendment at "C," in the House bill to provide for a State Board of Arbitration for the settlement of differences between employers and their employees, and this motion was placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow.

Mr. Dunbar moved that the Senate insist on its amendment and ask for a committee of conference on the disagreeing votes of the two Houses.

Mr. Cogswell moved to postpone the consideration of this motion until to-morrow, and the question thereon was determined as follows, to wit:—

YEAS. — Messrs. Alger, Hayes, Locke, Walker. — 10.	Cogswell, Howard, Morse,	Emerson, Howland, Naphen,
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NAYS. — Messrs. Boynton, Gunn, Jones, E. D. G., Nourse,	Dunbar, Harlow, Lilley, Tappan. — 11.	Gleason, Jefis, Norris,
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ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Bigelow, Gould, Jones, F. W., Kendricken, Morrill, Reed,	Douglas, Gove, Joslin, McGahey, Murphy, Scott,	Forbes, Jefferson, Joyner, Milliken, Phillips, Wilbur. — 18.
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So the motion to postpone was lost.

Mr. Cogswell thereupon moved to reconsider the vote by which the Senate refused to postpone the consideration of the order until to-morrow, and this motion was placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow.

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The question then recurring upon the adoption of the motion offered by Mr. Dunbar, it was determined as follows, to wit:—

YEAS. —Messrs. Boynton,	Dunbar,	Gleason,
Gunn,	Harlow,	Jefts,
Jones, E. D. G.,	Lilley,	Norris,
Nourse,	Pillsbury,	Tappan.— 12.

NAYS. —Messrs. Alger,	Cogswell,	Emerson,
Hayes,	Howard,	Howland,
Locke,	Morse,	Naphen,
Phillips,	Walker.— 11.	

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Bigelow,	Douglas,	Forbes.
Gould,	Gove,	Jefferson,
Jones, F. W.,	Joslin,	Joyner,
Kendricken,	McGahey,	Milliken,
Morrill,	Murphy,	Reed,
Scott,	Wilbur.— 17.	

So the motion was adopted, and Messrs. Dunbar, Lilley and Norris are appointed a committee of conference on the part of the Senate on the disagreeing votes of the two Houses.

Adjourned.

THURSDAY, May 20, 1886.

Met according to adjournment.

Lumber.

Mr. Morrill, from the committee on the Treasury, on the Senate bill, enlarging the district of the surveyor-general of lumber, establishing the fees of surveyors, and defining the special grades of lumber; and

Treasurer and
Receiver-
General.

On the House bill in relation to office hours in the department of the Treasurer and Receiver-General; and

Mr. Walker, from the same committee, on the House resolve in favor of Z. K. Harmon, reported that these bills and this resolve severally ought to pass, and they were ordered to a second reading.

Reduction, etc.

Petitions were presented and referred as follows:—
By Mr. Morse, petitions of Alva J. Wilson and 37 others;

Theodore Lyman and 29 others ; and
 Moses N. Hubbard and 658 others, for additional legis-
 lation to punish the crime of seduction and to raise the
 age of consent ;

Severally to the committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. Milliken, petitions of James S. Staples and Telephone rates.
 others, and John A. Wood & Co. and others ;

By Mr. Dunbar, a petition of Farr Alpaca Co. and
 others ;

By Mr. Jones of Essex, a petition of Newhall & Thing
 and others ;

By Mr. Boynton, a petition of Dr. Chas. B. Shute and
 others ;

By Mr. Walker, a petition of F. H. Howes and others ;
 and

By Mr. Forbes, a petition of Snell Manufacturing Co.
 and others, severally, that telephone rates may be limited
 by law ;

Placed on file.

Papers from the House.

A bill for the better protection of forests from fires, on Forest fires.
 the petition of a committee of the American Forestry
 Congress, was read and ordered to a second reading.

A bill authorizing the town of Scituate to pay certain Scituate.
 soldiers was read and referred to the committee on the
 Judiciary.

Resolves

Relative to the erection of hospital buildings at the State Resolves.
 Almshouse at Tewksbury (on the report of the trustees) ;
 and

In favor of John F. Wallace (on the petition of the
 same), were severally read and referred to the committee
 on the Treasury.

The Senate bill to amend chapter 72 of the Public Public ware-
house receipts.
 Statutes relating to public warehouse receipts came up
 passed to be engrossed in concurrence with an amend-
 ment, and the Senate concurred therein.

The House bill for the protection of fish in a portion of Dukes County.
 the county of Dukes County came up. The House con-

curs in the Senate amendments at "A," "B," "C," "D," and "F," and non-concurs in the amendments at "E" and "G." The Senate receded from its amendments at "E" and "G," and Senate Rule (No. 9), that the Clerk shall retain the bill until the right of consideration has expired, was suspended.

Bill Enacted.

Bill enacted
and to Gov.
error.

An engrossed bill to authorize certain street railway companies to lease and to purchase and hold the property, rights and franchises of, and to unite and consolidate with each other, and to establish and maintain the cable system of motive power (which originated in the Senate), passed to be enacted, and was laid before the Governor for his approval.

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

Arbitration,
State Board of.

The motion to reconsider the vote by which the Senate refused to recede from its amendment at "C" to the bill to provide for a State board of arbitration for the settlement of differences between employers and their employees was considered. Mr. Cogswell moved that the further consideration of the motion be postponed until to-morrow, and the question on this motion was determined as follows, to wit:—

YEAS. — Messrs. Alger,	Bigelow,	Cogswell,
Douglas,	Emerson,	Hayes,
Howland,	Jones, F. W.,	Joyner,
Kendricken,	McGahey,	Morse,
Naphen,	Phillips,	Reed,
Walker. — 16.		

NAYS. — Messrs. Boynton,	Dunbar,	Gould,
Gunn,	Harlow,	Jefferson,
Jefts,	Jones, E. D. G.,	Joslin,
Lilley,	Morrill,	Norris,
Nourse,	Tappan. — 14.	

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Gove,	Milliken,	Murphy,
Scott,	Wilbur. — 5.	

PAIRED. — Mr Locke (yea) with Mr. Gleason (nay). Mr. Howard (yea) with Mr. Forbes (nay).

So the motion was carried in the affirmative.

The motion to reconsider the vote by which the Senate refused to postpone until to-day the consideration of the order that the Senate insist on its amendment at "C" in the bill to provide for a State board of arbitration for the settlement of differences between employers and their employees, and ask for a committee of conference on the disagreeing votes of the two Houses, was withdrawn.

The House report of the committee on Public Service, leave to withdraw, on the petition of John Rogers and E. Dewing Foss, constables in the municipal court of the South Boston District, for increase of salary, was considered. South Boston
Municipal court.

Mr. Naphen moved to substitute a bill therefor and the report was ordered to be placed in the Orders of the Day for Wednesday next, and the bill printed.

The Senate bill in addition to an act for the laying out of public parks in or near the city of Boston was further considered. Boston, City of.

Mr. Kendrick proposed a substitute therefor, and the bill was ordered to be placed in the Orders of the Day for Wednesday next, and the substitute printed.

The bills

To provide for the construction of a new jail and house of correction in Franklin County; Bills.

In amendment of section 14 of chapter 298 of the Acts of the year 1884, relating to registrars of voters;

To establish the salaries of county commissioners of Worcester, Bristol and Plymouth counties;

In relation to the inspection of gas;

To increase the common council of the city of Lynn; and the

Resolve concerning the boundary line between Massachusetts and New Hampshire, were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading. Resolve.

The House bill to establish the salary of the second clerk in the office of the Secretary of the Commonwealth was read a third time, and the question on passing the same to be engrossed was determined as follows, to wit:— Secretary of the
Commonwealth,
office of.

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YEAS. — Messrs.	Bigelow,	Cogswell,	Emerson,
	Forbes,	Gould,	Hayes,
	Jefts,	Jones, F. W.,	Kendricken,
	Lilley,	McGahey,	Morrill,
	Morse,	Naphen,	Norris,
	Phillips,	Tappan,	Walker. — 18.
NAYS. — Messrs.	Alger,	Dunbar,	Gunn,
	Harlow,	Howland,	Jefferson,
	Jones, E. D. G.,	Joslin,	Joyner,
	Nourse,	Reed. — 11.	

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs.	Boynton,	Douglas,	Gleason,
	Gove,	Howard,	Locke,
	Milliken,	Murphy,	Scott,
	Wilbur. — 10.		

So the bill passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

BILL.

The House bill to incorporate the Central Congregational Church in Chelmsford; and the House resolves

Resolve.

Providing rooms for the use of the Bureau of Statistics of Labor; and

In favor of the town of Ashland, were severally read a third time, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Adjourned.

FRIDAY, May 21, 1886.

Met according to adjournment.

New Bedford,
City of.

Mr. Reed, from the committee on Cities, on a petition of the city council of the city of New Bedford (from the files of last year), reported a

Bill to amend the charter of the city of New Bedford in relation to its wards; and on a petition of the city solicitor of said city, for an amendment of the city charter relative to the election and constitution of the board of overseers of the poor, a

Ibid.

Bill to amend the charter of the city of New Bedford in relation to its overseers of the poor, and these bills were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Order Adopted.

(On motion of Mr. Reed, —

Whereas, In the year eighteen hundred and sixty-five the legislature did pass an act entitled “An Act empowering cities to re-establish their wards,” which act has ever since been in force, and divers cities in the Commonwealth have re-established their wards according to the provisions of said act; and

Whereas, Divers cities and towns have been incorporated and organized under and by virtue of certain acts of the legislature relating thereto; and

Whereas, The General Court at its present session is required to divide the Commonwealth into senatorial districts, and to provide for the apportionment and division of the Commonwealth into representative districts, and to this end has certain bills, orders and other proceedings now pending before it relating thereto; and

Whereas, The authority to make such apportionments and divisions, according to the territorial boundaries of towns and cities, and their wards, as now existing and established, or hereafter to be established, under said acts of the legislature, is brought into question, and the constitutionality thereof disputed;

Therefore, It is ordered by the General Court, in each branch thereof, that the opinion of the justices of the Supreme Judicial Court be required upon the following important questions of law: —

First. Does the Constitution in the Twenty-second Amendment thereof require the Commonwealth to be divided by the General Court into senatorial districts according to the boundaries of towns and cities and the wards thereof, as they existed on the first day of May in the year in which the census of legal voters is taken, that applies to said apportionment and division?

Second. Does the Constitution in the Twenty-first Amendment thereof require the aldermen of the city of Boston and the county commissioners of the other counties than Suffolk (in case no special commissioners are provided therefor), to divide the assignments of representatives to the several counties apportioned by the legislature, according to the boundaries of the towns and cities and their wards, as they existed on the first day of May in the year in which the census of the legal voters is taken, that applies to said apportionment and division?

Third. Under the terms of the Twenty-second Amendment to the Constitution, can the General Court in making the apportionment of senators and in the division of the Commonwealth into districts therefor, recognize and take as a basis for the same, the towns incorporated or organized after the first day of May of the year in which the census of legal voters is taken, that applies to such apportionment or division, or the wards in cities which have been established under the general law, being chapter seven of the acts of the year eighteen hundred and sixty-five, or under any other law, special or general, relating thereto, after the first day of May of the year in which the census of legal voters is taken, that applies to such apportionment or division?

Fourth. Under the terms of the Twenty-first Amendment to the Constitution, can the aldermen of the city of Boston and the county commissioners of the other counties than Suffolk (in case no special commissioners are provided therefor), in making the division into representative districts, recognize or take as a basis therefor the towns incorporated or organized after the first day of May of the year in which the census of legal voters is taken, that applies to said apportionment or division, or the wards in cities which have been established under the general law, being chapter seven of the Acts of the year eighteen hundred and sixty-five, or under any other law, special or general, relating thereto, after the first day of May of the year in which the census of voters is taken, that applies to said apportionment or division?

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Petitions were presented and referred as follows:—

Seduction.

By Mr. Hayes, petitions of Joseph Steadman, M.D., and 11 others, and Rev. Garrett Beekman and 12 others; and

By Mr. Morse, petitions of J. H. Davis and 154 others, and Georgie Hartford and others, severally for additional legislation to punish the crime of seduction and raise the age of consent;

To the committee on the Judiciary.

**Plymouth,
town of.**

By Mr. Howland, a petition of the water commissioners of the town of Plymouth for the improvement of its water

supply, and for authority to issue additional bonds, notes or scrip, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule, to the committee on Water Supply.

Sent down for concurrence.

Papers from the House.

A bill for the better preservation of birds and game, on the orders relative to the better preservation of fish and game, and useful and singing birds and game birds; also, to prohibit the pursuing of wild sea-fowl by gunners in steamboats and sail boats, was read and ordered to a second reading. Birds and game.

A report of the committee on Liquor Law, that it is inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to providing for the negotiability of licenses for the sale of intoxicating liquors, with discretionary powers as is by law provided for the granting of the same, was read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow.

A bill to authorize the town of Plymouth to obtain an additional supply of water, and to issue notes, bonds or scrip for that purpose, was referred in concurrence, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule, to the committee on Water Supply. Plymouth, Town of.

Bills Enacted and Resolves Passed.

The following engrossed bills (the first of which originated in the Senate) passed to be enacted, to wit:— Bills enacted and to Governor.

Relating to sureties on probate bonds.

In relation to the exemption of property of certain literary and other associations from taxation.

To exempt a portion of the property of the Yarmouth Camp Meeting Association from taxation.

In relation to the returns of foreign mining, quarrying and oil companies.

For the protection of fish in a portion of the county of Dukes County.

The following engrossed resolves (all of which originated in the House) passed, and with the above-named bills, were laid before the Governor for his approval, to wit:— Resolves passed.

Providing for the completion of, for additions to, and for furnishing and equipping the Westborough Insane Hospital at Westborough.

Granting to the county of Hampshire a county tax.

Providing for the payment of current expenses at the Westborough Insane Hospital at Westborough.

Newton and
Watertown
Gas Light Co.

The motion to reconsider the vote by which the Senate refused to suspend the 12th Joint Rule to admit the House petition of the Newton and Watertown Gas Light Company for an amendment of its charter so as to authorize it to produce and supply the public with electric light was taken from the table and carried in the affirmative, and the petition was thereupon referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Manufactures.

Reports.

The House reports

Of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, on an order relative to placing telegraph companies, including railroad signal offices, more fully under State supervision and inspection ;

On the petition of W. Lamson and others, that rates charged by companies manufacturing, leasing and selling, and licensing other companies to use and lease telephones be fixed and established by law ; and

On an order relative to regulating the charges made by the American Bell Telephone Company for the use of instruments to leasing companies, as also to other subscribers, were severally taken from the table and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow.

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

State Board of
Arbitration.

The motion to reconsider the vote by which the Senate refused to recede from its amendment at "C" to the House bill to provide for a State board of arbitration for the settlement of differences between employers and their employees was considered, and the question thereon was determined as follows, to wit :—

YEAS. — Messrs. Bigelow,	Cogswell,	Douglas,
Emerson,	Gove,	Hayes,
Howard,	Jones, F. W.,	Joyner,
Kendricken,	Locke,	McGahey,
Morse,	Naphen,	Reed,
Scott,	Walker. — 17.	

NAYS. — Messrs. Boynton, Dunbar, Forbes,
Gleason, Gould, Gunn,
Harlow, Jones, E. D. G., Joslin,
Lilley, Norris, Nourse,
Tappan. — 13.

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Morrill, Murphy, Wilbur. — 3.

PAIRED. — Mr. Alger (yea) with Mr. Jefferson (nay). Mr. Phillips (yea) with Mr. Jeffs (nay). Mr. Howland (yea) with Mr. Milliken (nay). — 6.

So the motion was carried in the affirmative.

The question then recurring on receding from said amendment, it was determined as follows, to wit:—

YEAS — Messrs. Bigelow, Cogswell, Douglas,
Emerson, Gove, Hayes,
Howard, Jones, F. W., Joyner,
Kendricken, Locke, McGahey,
Morse, Napen, Reed,
Scott, Walker. — 17.

NAYS. — Messrs. Boynton, Dunbar, Forbes,
Gleason, Gould, Gunn,
Harlow, Joslin, Lilley,
Norris, Nourse, Tappan. — 12.

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Jones, E. D. G., Morrill, Murphy,
Wilbur. — 4.

PAIRED. — Mr. Alger (yea) with Mr. Jefferson (nay). Mr. Phillips (yea) with Mr. Jeffs (nay). Mr. Howland (yea) with Mr. Milliken (nay). — 6.

So the Senate receded.

The bill in relation to taxation of telephone companies, ^{Telephone companies.} was further considered, amended on motion of Mr. Morse, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence with the amendments, which were sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The bill relating to sidewalks, crosswalks, common ^{Great Barrington, Fire District of.} sewers and main drains in the fire district of the town of Great Barrington, and for other purposes, was read a third time, amended on motion of Mr. Joyner, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence with the amendments, which were sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Bills.**The bills**

Enlarging the district of the Surveyor-General of Lumber, establishing the fees of surveyors, and defining the special grades of lumber ;

For the better protection of forests from fire ;

In relation to office hours in the department of the Treasurer and Receiver-General ; and the

Resolves.

Resolve in favor of Z. K. Harmon, were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Registrars of voters.

The Senate bill in amendment of section 14 of chapter 298 of the Acts of the year 1884 relating to registrars of voters, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Bills.**The House bills**

To establish the salaries of county commissioners of Worcester, Bristol and Plymouth counties ;

In relation to the inspection of gas ;

To increase the common council of the city of Lynn ; and the

Resolve.

House resolve concerning the boundary line between Massachusetts and New Hampshire, were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Adjourned.

MONDAY, May 24, 1886.

Met according to adjournment.

Teachers.

Mr. Scott, from the committee on Education, on an order relating to the tenure of office of teachers, reported a bill relating to the employment of teachers, and the same was read and ordered to a second reading.

Petitions were presented and referred as follows : —

Seduction.

By Mr. Morse, a petition of Mary G. White and 90 others for additional legislation to punish the crime of seduction and to raise the age of consent ;

To the committee on the Judiciary.

Newton and Watertown Gas Light Co.

By Mr. Scott, a petition of Alden Speare and others in aid of the petition of the Newton and Watertown Gas

Light Company for an amendment of its charter so as to authorize it to produce and supply the public with electric light;

To the committee on Manufactures.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

A communication was received from the Secretary of the Commonwealth transmitting a copy of a letter from Hon. Wm. E. Gladstone, acknowledging with cordial and respectful thanks the receipt of the resolutions adopted by the legislature relating to Home Rule in Ireland.

William E. Gladstone.

Papers from the House.

Bills

Relating to the employment of women in mercantile establishments (on the petition of George D. Chamberlain and others); and

Women, employment of.

To supply the Turner's Falls Fire District with pure water (on the petition of the committee on Water Supply of the Turner's Falls Fire District), were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Turner's Falls Fire District.

A bill to annex Muskeget Island and Gravelly Islands to Nantucket County, was read and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Muskeget Island, etc.

A resolve in favor of Margaret Tobin, administratrix, was read and referred to the committee on the Treasury.

Margaret Tobin.

The Senate bill to provide for precinct voting in towns came up, passed to be engrossed in concurrence with certain amendments, and the Senate concurred therein.

Precinct voting.

The Senate petition of the water commissioners of the town of Plymouth for the improvement of its water supply and for authority to issue additional bonds, notes or scrip, came up concurred in the reference to the committee on Water Supply, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule, amended by inserting the words, "with instructions to hear the parties after giving such notice as the committee may deem expedient," and the Senate concurred in said instructions.

Plymouth, Town of.

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

Reports.**The House reports**

Of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, on an order relative to placing telegraph companies, including railroad signal offices, more fully under State supervision and inspection;

On the petition of W. Lamson and others, that rates charged by companies manufacturing, leasing and selling, and licensing other companies to use and lease, telephones be fixed and established by law; and

On an order relative to regulating the charges made by the American Bell Telephone Company for the use of instruments to leasing companies, as also to other subscribers, were severally ordered to be placed in the Orders of the Day for Wednesday next.

Franklin County jail.

The bill to provide for the construction of a new jail and house of correction in Franklin County, was read a third time and laid on the table.

The bills**Bills.**

To amend the charter of the city of New Bedford in relation to its wards;

To amend the charter of the city of New Bedford in relation to its overseers of the poor; and

For the better preservation of birds and game, were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Lumber.

The Senate bill enlarging the district of the surveyor-general of lumber, establishing the fees of surveyors, and defining the special grades of lumber, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Forests.

The House bill for the better protection of forests from fires was read a third time, amended as proposed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, also upon motions severally of Messrs. Lilley, Norris and Cogswell, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence with the amendments, which were sent down for concurrence.

Treasurer.

The House bill in relation to office hours in the department of the Treasurer and Receiver-General; and the

Z. K. Harmon.

House resolve in favor of Z. K. Harmon, were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

The House report of the committee on the Liquor Law, ^{Intoxicating liquors.} on an order relative to providing for the negotiability of licenses for the sale of intoxicating liquors, with discretionary powers as is by law provided for the granting of the same, was accepted in concurrence.

Adjourned.

TUESDAY, May 25, 1886.

Met according to adjournment.

Mr. Norris, from the committee on Railroads, on the ^{Konkapot R. R. Co.} petition of Robert L. Taft and others, reported a bill to incorporate the Konkapot Valley Railroad Company, and the same was read and ordered to a second reading.

Mr. Lilley, from the committee on the Judiciary, on ^{Street parades.} the bill relating to regulations that may be adopted by aldermen and selectmen concerning street parades in cities and towns, reported that the same ought to pass and it was ordered to a second reading.

Mr. Kendricken, from the committee on Drainage, on ^{Drainage, System of.} so much of the Governor's Address as relates to a system of drainage, reported that the same be referred to the next General Court, and the report was read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow.

Mr. Morrill, from the committee on the Treasury, on the House resolve in favor of John F. Wallace; and

Mr. Douglas, from the same committee, on the House resolve relative to the erection of hospital buildings at the State Almshouse at Tewksbury, reported that these resolves severally ought to pass and they were ordered to a second reading.

Petitions were presented and referred as follows:—

By Mr. Morse, a petition of Mrs. C. F. Lee and 290 ^{Seduction.} others for additional legislation to punish the crime of seduction and to raise the age of consent;

To the committee on the Judiciary.

Salem, City of.

By Mr. Cogswell, a petition of the mayor and others, a committee of the city of Salem, for authority to extend Derby Street and to widen Lafayette Street in said city, and to abate a nuisance in the South River, etc., under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule, to the committee on Harbor and Public Lands.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Papers from the House.

Charlestown
Gas Co.

A bill to authorize the Charlestown Gas Company to furnish electric light (on the petition of the same), was read and ordered to a second reading.

A House resolve providing for certain improvements and repairs at the Massachusetts Agricultural College at Amherst and for the further equipment thereof, in a new draft of the Senate resolve, was read three times, under a suspension of the rules, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Commonwealth
Flats.

A bill making an appropriation for the improvement of the Commonwealth's Flats at South Boston was read and referred to the committee on the Treasury.

Reports.

A report of the committee on Cities, reference to the next General Court, on the bill (on leave) to establish parliamentary law for city councils; and a

Report of the committee on Military Affairs, granting leave to withdraw, on the petition of Ellen Russell for state aid, were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow.

The following papers were referred in concurrence: —

George E.
Swasey.

A petition of George E. Swasey for payment of money due him as a depositor in the Mercantile Savings Institution;

Under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule, to the committee on Claims.

Samuel N.
Brown et als.

A petition of Samuel N. Brown and others for legislation to aid them in forming an investment company;

Under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule, to the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

The report of the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to the better security of the freedom of religious worship in certain institutions was considered, the question being on substituting the bill proposed by Mr. Naphen. Mr. Joyner moved to amend the same by substituting another bill, and the motion was rejected. The question then recurring on the substitution of the bill proposed by Mr. Naphen, it was determined as follows, to wit: —

YEAS. — Messrs. Alger,	Douglas,	Hayes,
Howard,	Jones, F. W.,	Kendricken,
McGahey,	Murphy,	Naphen. — 9.

NAYS. — Messrs. Boynton,	Cogswell,	Dunbar,
Emerson,	Forbes,	Gleason,
Gunn,	Harlow,	Jefferson,
Jefts,	Jones, E. D. G.,	Joslin,
Joyner,	Lilley,	Milliken,
Morrill,	Morse,	Norris,
Nourse,	Reed,	Wilbur. — 21.

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Bigelow,	Gove,	Howland,
Phillips,	Scott,	Tappan,
Walker. — 7.		

PAIRED. — Mr. Locke (yea) with Mr. Gould (nay). — 2.

So the bill was rejected, and the report of the committee thereupon accepted.

The report of the committee on the Judiciary, on an order relative to amending section 9 of chapter 222 of the Public Statutes relative to religious instruction in public institutions, was accepted.

The bill relating to the employment of teachers, was read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The bill relating to the employment of women in mercantile establishments, was read a second time.

Mr. Howard moved to substitute a bill printed as House, No. 294.

Mr. Cogswell rose to a point of order which being stated was that the bill is in violation of Senate Rule, No. 18.

Amendments were proposed by Messrs. Morse and Dunbar, and the further consideration of the subject was passed over.

Turner's Falls
Fire District.

The House bill to supply the Turner's Falls Fire District with pure water, was read a second time and ordered to a third reading. The Orders of the Day were laid on the table, and the bill was read a third time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence, under a suspension of the rules.

The Orders of the Day were taken from the table.

New Bedford,
City of.

The Senate bill to amend the charter of the city of New Bedford in relation to its wards, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Ibid.

The Senate bill to amend the charter of the city of New Bedford in relation to its Overseers of the Poor, was read a third time, amended as proposed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Birds and game.

The bill for the better preservation of birds and game, was read a third time and ordered to be placed first in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow.

Committees,
Reports of.

The House orders that all joint committees having matters before them undisposed of, report on the same at as early a date as possible and report not latter than Thursday, May 27, 1886, stating what matters still remain undisposed of, was adopted in concurrence.

Boston, City of.

The Senate bill to provide for the establishment of a truant school on the mainland in the city of Boston, was taken from the table. Mr. Forbes proposed as a substitute therefor a bill to provide for the establishment of a school for truants, absentees, and neglected children in the city of Boston, and the same was substituted, read and ordered to a second reading.

Adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, May 26, 1886.

Met according to adjournment.

Mr. Tappan, from the committee on Fisheries and Game, Oysters. on an order in relation to the subject, reported a bill relating to licenses to plant, grow and dig oysters, and extending the time in which oysters may be taken, and the same was read and ordered to a second reading.

Mr. Joyner, from the committee on the Judiciary, on the bill to confirm the proceedings of the last annual meeting of the Lee Fire District, Lee Fire District. reported that the same ought to pass, and it was ordered to a second reading.

Mr. Douglas, from the committee on the Treasury, on the House bill making an appropriation for the improvement of the Commonwealth's Flats at South Boston; and Commonwealth's Flats.

Mr. Morrill, from the same committee, on the House resolve in favor of Margaret Tobin, administratrix, Margaret Tobin. reported that this bill and resolve severally ought to pass, and they were ordered to a second reading.

Mr. Gove, from the committee on Water Supply, on the petition of the Dedham Water Company and Jamaica Pond Aqueduct Corporation for authority to consolidate and unite if they shall elect so to do, Reports. reported that the petition be referred to the next General Court.

Mr. Dunbar, from the committee on Election Laws, on the order relative to the distribution of ballots at the different polling places in the Commonwealth on election days; and

On the order relative to further legislation relating to the powers and duties of registrars of voters in cities and towns, reported that it is inexpedient to legislate thereon; and

Mr. Norris, from the committee on Railroads, on the petition of the Central Massachusetts Railroad Company for an amendment of its charter, reported, at the request of the company, that the petitioners have leave to withdraw, and these reports were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow.

Papers from the House.

County prisons. A bill in relation to the appointment of physicians and chaplains of county prisons, on the annual report of the Commissioners of Prisons, was read and ordered to a second reading.

Boston and Lowell R.R. Co. A report of the committee on Railroads granting leave to withdraw (for the reason that the objects sought by the petition can be secured under existing laws), on the petition of the Boston & Lowell Railroad Corporation for power to build a branch road connecting its Mystic branch with the Salem & Lowell Railroad, was read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow.

Fugitives from justice. The Senate bill in relation to the fees and expenses of agents appointed by the Governor to demand of the authorities of other States offenders fleeing from justice came up passed to be engrossed in concurrence with an amendment, and the Senate concurred therein.

Lowell, Police Court of. The Senate bill to establish the salaries of the standing justice and clerk of the Police Court of Lowell came up. The House insists, and asks for a committee of conference, and Messrs. Stevens of Boston, Hadley of Leominster and Carey of Brockton are appointed the committee of conference on the part of the House. The Senate concurred in the appointment of a committee.

Freight stations. The Senate refused to suspend the 12th Joint Rule to admit the House bill relating to railroad freight stations in cities, and the bill was referred to the next General Court under said rule.

Telephone companies. The House report of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, on an order relative to uniform charges for the use of telephones and telephone service by the American Bell and other telephone companies, and relative to placing said companies under control of the railroad commissioners, was taken from the table. Mr. Lilley moved to substitute therefor a bill placing telephone companies under state supervision and inspection, and the report was placed in the Orders of the Day, and the bill ordered to be printed.

The report of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, on an order relative to providing by law that no telephone company shall charge to exceed three dollars per month where one telephone is used, nor more than two dollars and one-half per month where more than one is used by the same individual, firm or company, and fixing the fees for switching between towns and cities at fifteen cents for the first five minutes and five cents for each additional five minutes, was taken from the table and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow.

Telephone
charges.

The Senate bill to provide for the construction of a new jail and house of correction in Franklin County, was taken from the table, amended on motion of Mr. Gunn and passed to be engrossed.

Franklin
County.

Sent down for concurrence.

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

The bill for the better protection of birds and game was further considered, Mr. Nourse proposed sundry amendments therein, and the bill was passed over and the amendments ordered to be printed.

Birds and
game.

The report of the committee on Public Service, leave to withdraw, on the petition of John Rogers and E. Dewing Foss, constables in the municipal court of the South Boston District, for increase of salary, was considered. The question being on substituting the bill proposed by Mr. Naphen, it was determined as follows, to wit: —

John Rogers et
al.

YEAS. — Messrs. Cogswell,	Douglas,	Emerson,
Gove,	Hayes,	Howard,
Jones, F. W.,	Kendricken,	Lilley,
McGahey,	Milliken,	Morse,
Murphy,	Naphen,	Scott. — 15.
NAYS. — Messrs. Alger,	Bigelow,	Boynton,
Dunbar,	Forbes,	Gould,
Gunn,	Harlow,	Joslin,
Joyner,	Locke,	Morrill,
Norris,	Nourse,	Reed,
Tappan,	Wilbur. — 17.	

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Gleason,	Howland,	Jefferson,
Jefts,	Jones, E. D. G.,	Phillips,
Walker. — 7.		

So the bill was rejected, and the report of the committee thereupon accepted in concurrence.

Telegraph
companies.

The House report of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, on an order relative to placing telegraph companies, including railroad signal offices, more fully under State supervision and inspection, was accepted in concurrence.

Telephone
charges.

The House report of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition of W. Lamson and others, that rates charged by companies manufacturing, leasing and selling, and licensing other companies to use and lease, telephones be fixed and established by law, was considered. Mr. Lilley moved to substitute therefor a bill limiting charges for telephones, and the report was placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow and the bill ordered to be printed.

Ibid.

The House report of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, on an order relative to regulating the charges made by the American Bell Telephone Company for the use of instruments to leasing companies, as also to other subscribers, was laid on the table.

Boston, City of,
Parks in.

The bill in addition to an Act for the laying out of public parks in or near the city of Boston was further considered. The question being on the adoption of the substitute of the same title proposed by Mr. Kendricken, it was determined as follows, to wit:—

YEAS.—Messrs. Alger,	Cogswell,	Douglas,
Emerson,	Gove,	Hayes,
Howard,	Jones, F. W.,	Joyner,
Kendricken,	Lilley,	Locke,
McGahey,	Murphy,	Naphen,
Scott.—16.		

NAYS.—Messrs. Boynton,	Dunbar,	Forbes,
Gould,	Gunn,	Joslin,
Nourse,	Reed,	Wilbur.—9.

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Bigelow,	Gleason,	Harlow,
Jefferson,	Jefts,	Jones, E. D. G.,
Milliken,	Morse,	Norris,
Phillips,	Tappan,	Walker.—12.

PAIRED.—Mr. Howland (yea) with Mr. Morrill (nay).—2.

So the bill was substituted, read, and ordered to a second reading.

The bill relating to the employment of women in mercantile establishments was further considered. Women, Employment of.

Mr. Cogswell withdrew his point of order, and the bill was passed over.

The bill to authorize the Charlestown Gas Company to furnish electric light; and Bill.

The resolves

In favor of John F. Wallace; and Resolves.

Relative to the erection of hospital buildings at the State Almshouse at Tewksbury, were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Senate report of the committee on Drainage, on so much of the Governor's Address as relates to a system of drainage, was accepted. Drainage, System of.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The House report of the committee on Cities, on the bill to establish parliamentary law for city councils, was accepted in concurrence. City councils.

The bill to incorporate the Konkapot Valley Railroad Company was read a second time. Konkapot Valley R.R. Co.

Mr. Scott rose to a point of order, which being stated was that the bill is beyond the scope of the petition, but before a ruling was had thereon the Senate

Adjourned.

THURSDAY, May 27, 1886.

Met according to adjournment.

Mr. Cogswell, from the committee on the Judiciary, on the House bills to incorporate the Onset Street Railway Company; and Onset Street Railway Co.

Authorizing the appointment to office of honorably discharged soldiers and sailors without competitive civil service examinations, reported that these bills ought to pass with certain amendments, and they were severally ordered to a second reading. Soldiers and Sailors.

Scituate, Town
of.

The same Senator, from the same committee, reported the House bill authorizing the town of Scituate to pay certain soldiers without amendment, and the same was ordered to a second reading.

Teachers, Ten-
ure of office of.

Petitions were presented and placed on file as follows : —

By Mr. Murphy, petitions of Timothy T. Sawyer and others, Charles H. Allen and others, and Hugh O'Brien and others ;

By Mr. Dunbar, petitions of S. F. Chester and others, and J. G. Scott and others ;

By Mr. Alger, petitions of Rev. A. P. Peabody and others, and James S. Barrell and others ;

By Mr. Lilley, petitions of George H. Conley and others, and Wm. H. Ward and others ;

By Mr. Morse, a petition of Norfolk County Teachers' Association ;

By Mr. Jefferson, a petition of E. H. Russell and others ; and

By Mr. Cogswell, a petition of T. T. Munger and others, severally in favor of the passage of an act to secure a more permanent tenure of office to teachers in the public schools.

Committee on
Water Supply.

Mr. Scott, from the committee on Water Supply, reported that there are seventeen orders and petitions still before that committee, on four of which the committee have acted and will report as soon as bills are prepared ; and the report was read, accepted, and sent down to the House of Representatives.

Came up concurred.

Papers from the House.

Salisbury and
Amesbury.

A bill to annex a part of the town of Salisbury to the town of Amesbury (on the petition of D. J. Marston and others), was read and ordered to a second reading.

Pittsfield.

A report of the committee on Cities, reference to the next General Court on the petition, recommitted, of William R. Plunkett and others of the town of Pittsfield for a city charter for said city, was read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow.

Matthew Dolan.

The 12th Joint Rule was suspended in concurrence to admit the House petition of Matthew Dolan for legisla-

tion to confirm his acts as a justice of the peace, and the same was returned to the House of Representatives.

The following paper was referred in concurrence :—

A petition of the officers of the South Pocasset Cemetery Association, praying that the corporate title of said association be changed to the Cataumet Cemetery Association ;

Under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule, to the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

The House bill to authorize the town of Lenox to construct a system of sewage disposal being put upon its final passage, the same was amended, under a suspension of Senate Rule, No. 46, as follows :—

Strike out section 1, and insert the following in place thereof :— “ Section 1. The town of Lenox may lay out, construct and maintain a system of sewage disposal for said town, and may take, by purchase or otherwise, any lands, rights of way or easements necessary therefor.”

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Bills Enacted and Resolves Passed.

The following engrossed bills (the first five of which originated in the Senate), passed to be enacted, to wit :—

To provide for the care and education of children who are both deaf-mutes and blind.

Relating to the sale of the toll-house of the Sunderland Bridge.

Relating to the examination and test of safety couplers on freight cars.

To incorporate the Stoughton Water Company.

To authorize the release of estates of tenancy by curtesy by the guardian of an insane married man.

To incorporate the Milford Electric Light and Power Company.

In relation to the Protestant Episcopal and Reformed Episcopal Churches.

In relation to the service of warrants and other criminal process.

To prohibit the shooting of wild fowl in the waters in and around Nantucket.

Lenox, Town of.

Bills enacted and to Governor.

Relative to proceedings for violations of the terms and conditions of leases of great ponds.

To establish the salary of the second clerk in the office of the Secretary of the Commonwealth.

To establish the salaries of the Adjutant-General and the first clerk in the department of the Adjutant-General.

To incorporate the Central Congregational Church in Chelmsford.

Resolves
passed, etc.

The following engrossed resolves (the first of which originated in the Senate), passed, and with the above-named bills were laid before the Governor for his approval, to wit:—

To provide for increasing the number of cells at the State Prison at Boston.

In favor of William E. Cunningham.

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

Bills.

The bill to incorporate the Konkapot Valley Railroad Company was further considered. The President ruled that the point of order raised by Mr. Scott was not well taken (see appendix), and the bill was ordered to a third reading.

The bills

Relating to licenses to plant, grow and dig oysters, and extending the time in which oysters may be taken;

To confirm the proceedings of the last annual meeting of the Lee Fire District;

Making an appropriation for the improvement of the Commonwealth's Flats at South Boston; and the

Resolve.

Resolve in favor of Margaret Tobin, administratrix, were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Telephone
Claims.

The report of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition of W. Lamson and others, that rates charged by companies manufacturing, leasing and selling, and licensing other companies to use and lease, telephones, be fixed and established by law, was considered. The question being on substituting the bill limiting charges for telephones, proposed by Mr. Lilley, it was determined as follows, to wit:—

YEAS. — Messrs. Douglas, Lilley. — 2.

NAYS. — Messrs. Alger,	Boynton,	Dunbar,
Emerson,	Forbes,	Gleason,
Gould,	Gunn,	Locke,
Milliken,	Morse,	Norris,
Reed,	Walker,	Wilbur. — 15.

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Bigelow,	Gove,	Harlow,
Hayes,	Jefts,	Jones, E. D. G.,
Joslin,	Joyner,	Kendricken,
McGahey,	Murphy,	Naphen,
Nourse,	Phillips,	Scott. — 15.

PAIRED. — Mr. Cogswell (yea) with Mr. Pillsbury (nay). Mr. Jones, F. W. (yea) with Mr. Howland (nay). Mr. Howard (yea) with Mr. Jefferson (nay). Mr. Morrill (yea) with Mr. Tappan (nay). — 8.

So the bill was rejected, and the report of the committee accepted in concurrence.

The House resolves

Resolves.

In favor of John F. Wallace; and

Relative to the erection of hospital buildings at the State Almshouse at Tewksbury, were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

The Senate reports

Reports.

Of the committee on Water Supply, on the petition of the Dedham Water Company and Jamaica Pond Aqueduct Corporation for authority to consolidate and unite if they shall elect so to do;

Of the committee on Election Laws, on the order relative to the distribution of ballots at the different polling places in the Commonwealth on election days; and

On the order relative to further legislation relating to the powers and duties of registrars of voters in cities and towns; and

Of the committee on Railroads, on the petition of the Central Massachusetts Railroad Company for an amendment of its charter, were severally accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The House reports

Of the committee on Military Affairs, on the petition of Ellen Russell for state aid; and

Of the committee on Railroads, on the petition of the Boston and Lowell Railroad Corporation for power to build a branch road connecting its Mystic branch with the Salem and Lowell Railroad, were severally accepted in concurrence.

Adjourned.

FRIDAY, May 28, 1886.

Met according to adjournment.

Senatorial and
Representative
Districts, Opin-
ion of Justices
of Supreme Ju-
dicial Court.

The President laid before the Senate the opinion of the Justices of the Supreme Judicial Court upon the questions propounded by the two branches on the division of the Commonwealth, under the 21st and 22d Amendments of the Constitution into senatorial and representative districts, and the same was read, laid on the table and ordered to be printed.

Cottage City,
Town of.

Mr. Scott, from the committee on Water Supply, on the petition of the selectmen of the town of Cottage City, reported a bill to supply the town of Cottage City with pure water, and the same was read and ordered to a second reading.

Charles I. Raw-
son et al.

Mr. Locke from the committee on Water Supply, on the petition of Charles I. Rawson and others, for an act of incorporation as the Huguenot Water Company for the purpose of supplying the town of Oxford with pure water, reported that the petitioners have leave to withdraw, and the report was read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow.

Teachers, Ten-
ure of office of.

Petitions were presented and placed on file, as follows :—

By Mr. Milliken, petitions of Morgan Rotch and others, Chas. E. E. Mosher and others, and Wm. W. Crapo and others ;

By Mr. Howard, petitions of Wm. Connell and others, Milton Reed and others, and Leontine Lincoln and others ;

By Mr. Reed, petitions of John E. Sanford and others, and C. S. Moore and others ;

By Mr. Kendrick, petitions of A. P. Marble and others, John H. Sullivan and others, Isaac Pratt, Jr., and

others, Henry L. Sawyer and others, Benj. James and others, Wm. H. Finney and others, John Felt Osgood and others, Laban Pratt and others, and Howard T. Dickson and others; and

By Mr. Nourse, a petition of J. D. F. Garfield and others, severally in favor of the passage of an act to secure a more permanent tenure of office to teachers in the public schools.

The President announced the appointment of Messrs. Lilley, Forbes and Walker, as a committee of conference on the disagreeing votes of the two houses on the Senate bill to establish the salaries of the standing justice and clerk of the police court of Lowell. Lowell, Police Court of.

Papers from the House.

A bill in further addition to an act making appropriations for expenses authorized the present year, and for certain other expenses authorized by law; and a

Resolve providing for the printing of copies of a portion of the seventeenth report of the Bureau of Statistics of Labor, were severally read and referred to the committee on the Treasury. Resolve.

The Senate bill to incorporate the Braintree Water Supply Company came up, passed to be engrossed in concurrence with an amendment, and the Senate concurred therein. Braintree Water Supply Company.

The House bill for the better protection of forests from fires came up. The House concurs in the Senate amendments at "A," "B" and "C," and in the amendment at "D" with an amendment, and the Senate concurred therein. Forests.

Bills Enacted and Resolves Passed.

The following engrossed bills (the first seven of which originated in the Senate) passed to be enacted, to wit:— Bills enacted and to Gov. ernor.

To provide for a recount of ballots cast at elections held in towns.

To amend chapter seventy-two of the Public Statutes relating to public warehouse receipts.

To apportion representatives to the several counties.

To authorize the city of Newburyport to increase its debt for certain purposes.

To authorize the Chelsea Gas Light Company to hold additional real estate, and to lay pipes and furnish gas in the town of Revere.

To provide for precinct voting in towns.

Relating to the bridge of the Eastern Railroad Company across the Rowley River.

To provide for a State board of arbitration for the settlement of differences between employers and their employees.

To establish the salaries of the Commissioners of Savings Banks and of the first and second clerks of said commissioners.

To increase the common council of the city of Lynn.

In relation to the inspection of gas.

To provide for returns of certificates of damage by dogs and to change the time for paying over the money received for licenses.

To establish the salaries of the county commissioners of Worcester, Bristol and Plymouth counties.

Relative to reports of accidents in factories and manufacturing establishments.

In relation to office hours in the department of the treasurer and receiver-general.

Resolves
passed, etc.

The following engrossed resolves (all of which originated in the House) passed and with the above named bills were laid before the Governor for his approval, to wit: —

Concerning the boundary line between Massachusetts and New Hampshire.

Providing rooms for the use of the Bureau of Statistics of Labor.

In favor of the town of Ashland.

In favor of Z. K. Harmon.

G. H. Manning
et alia.

The House report of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, on the petition of G. H. Manning and others for legislation defining the right of telegraph and telephone companies to maintain poles and lines of wire in public highways, was taken from the table and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow.

The House reports

Of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, on the petition of George A. Marden and others, that the American Bell Telephone Company be prohibited from holding more than thirty per cent. of the stock of any sub-company in which it does not now own more than that proportion ;

Geo. A. Marden
et al.

On the petition of F. W. Stickney and others, that the right of the Bell Telephone Company to hold stock in other telephone companies may be limited ; and

F. W. Stickney
et al.

On an order relative to regulating the charges made by the American Bell Telephone Company for the use of instruments to leasing companies, as also to other subscribers, were severally taken from the table and accepted in concurrence.

American Bell
Telephone Co.

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

The House report of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, on an order relative to uniform charges for the use of telephones and telephone service by the American Bell and other telephone companies, and relative to placing said companies under control of the railroad commissioners, was passed over.

Telephone
charges.

The House report of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, on an order relative to providing by law that no telephone company shall charge to exceed three dollars per month where one telephone is used, nor more than two dollars and one-half per month where more than one is used by the same individual, firm or company, and fixing the fees for switching between towns and cities at fifteen cents for the first five minutes and five cents for each additional five minutes, was accepted in concurrence.

Ibid.

The bill relating to the employment of women in mercantile establishments was further considered, and amended as proposed by Messrs. Morse and Dunbar. The question then recurring on the adoption of the substitute bill proposed by Mr. Howard, the same was amended on motion of Mr. Harlow, and the vote on the substitution thereof was determined as follows, to wit : —

Women, Em-
ployment of.

YEAS. — Messrs. Alger,	Cogswell,	Douglas,
Emerson,	Harlow,	Howard,
Jones, F. W.,	Joyner,	Kendricken,
Locke,	McGahey,	Murphy,
Naphen,	Reed,	Scott. — 15.

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NAYS. — Messrs. Boynton, Gleason, Joslin, Norris, Wilbur. — 13.	Dunbar, Gould, Milliken, Nourse,	Forbes, Gunn, Morrill, Phillips,
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ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Bigelow, Howland, Jones, E. D. G., Tappan,	Gove, Jefferson, Lilley, Walker. — 11.	Hayes, Jelts, Morse,
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So the bill was substituted, read and ordered to a second reading.

Birds and animals.

The House bill for the better preservation of birds and animals was further considered, amended as proposed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, and by Mr. Nourse, also on motions, severally, of Messrs. Dunbar and Milliken, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence with the amendments, which were sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred.

Street parades.

The bill relating to regulations that may be adopted by aldermen and selectmen concerning street parades in cities and towns, was read a second time and passed over.

Boston, City of.

The bill to provide for the establishment of a school for truants, absentees, and neglected children in the city of Boston, was read a second time, amended on motion of Mr. Forbes and ordered to a third reading.

Teachers, Tenure of.

The Senate bill relating to the employment of teachers was read a third time and passed to be engrossed in a new title as reported by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, viz. : Bill relating to the tenure of office of teachers.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Boston, Public Parks in.

The bill in addition to an Act for the laying out of public parks in or near the city of Boston was read a second time. Mr. Wilbur moved to substitute the bill of the same title as originally reported by the committee on Cities (Senate, No. 221), and the question on this motion was determined as follows, to wit : —

YEAS. — Messrs. Boynton, Gleason, Joslin, Reed,	Dunbar, Gould, Norris, Wilbur. — 11.	Forbes, Harlow, Nourse,
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NAYS. — Messrs. Alger, Cogswell, Douglas,
Emerson, Howard, Jones, F. W.,
Joyner, Kendrickken, Locke,
McGahey, Murphy, Napphen,
Scott. — 13.

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Bigelow, Hayes, Jefferson,
Jefts, Jones, E. D. G., Lilley,
Morse, Phillips, Walker. — 9.

PAIRED. — Mr. Gunn (yea) with Mr. Tappan (nay). Mr. Milliken (yea) with Mr. Gove (nay). Mr. Morrill (yea) with Mr. Howland (nay). — 6.

So the substitute was rejected and the bill ordered to a third reading.

The bills

In relation to the appointment of physicians and chap- **Bills.**
lains of county prisons ;

Authorizing the town of Scituate to pay certain sol-
diers ; and

To annex a part of the town of Salisbury to the town
of Amesbury were severally read a second time and
ordered to a third reading.

The House bills

To authorize the Charlestown Gas Company to furnish
electric light ; and

Making an appropriation for the improvement of the
Commonwealth's Flats at South Boston, were severally
read a third time and passed to be engrossed in concur-
rence.

The bill to incorporate the Onset Street Railway Com- **Onset Street**
pany was passed over. **Railway Co.**

The bill authorizing the appointment to office of honor- **Soldiers and**
ably discharged soldiers and sailors without competitive **Sailors.**
civil service examinations was read a second time and or-
dered to be placed first in the Orders of the Day for
Wednesday next.

The Senate bill to incorporate the Konkapot Valley **Konkapot**
Railroad Company was read a third time and passed to be **Valley Railroad**
engrossed. **Co.**

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Lee Fire District.

The Senate bill to confirm the proceedings of the last annual meeting of the Lee Fire District was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

William R. Plunkett et als.

The House report of the committee on Cities on the petition of William R. Plunkett and others of the town of Pittsfield for a city charter for said town, was accepted in concurrence.

Adjourned.

TUESDAY, June 1, 1886.

Met according to adjournment.

Bradford Water Company.

Mr. Scott, from the committee on Water Supply, on the petition of Samuel W. Hopkinson and others, reported a bill to incorporate the Bradford Water Company, and the same was read and ordered to a second reading.

Russell.

Mr. Joyner, from the committee on Claims, on the order relative to reimbursing the town of Russell for money expended for the support of a State pauper, reported a resolve in favor of the town of Russell, and the same was read and referred to the committee on the Treasury.

Fannie L. Nye.

Mr. Joyner, from the committee on Military Affairs, on the petition of Fannie L. Nye for State aid, reported that the petitioner have leave to withdraw; and the report was read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow.

Senatorial and Representative Districts.

The Opinion of the justices of the Supreme Judicial Court upon the questions propounded by the two branches on the division of the Commonwealth, under the 21st and 22d Amendments of the Constitution, into Senatorial and Representative Districts was taken from the table and referred to the committee on Redistricting the Commonwealth.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Papers from the House.

A bill to authorize the Boston and Lowell Railroad Corporation to unite and consolidate with certain railroads now leased or operated by it, to purchase the property, rights and franchises of said railroads, and increase its capital stock therefor (on the petition of said corporation) was read and ordered to a second reading.

Boston and
Lowell R. R.
Corporation.

A resolve for the appointment of a commission to consider and report to the General Court, general laws and form of charter for the government of cities (in a new draft) was read and referred to the committee on the Treasury.

Cities.

A petition of Rodney Wallace and others to be incorporated as the trustees of the Murdock Fund for the establishment of a free school and other charitable and religious purposes, was referred in concurrence, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule, to the committee on Education.

Rodney Wallace
et al.

The 12th Joint Rule was suspended in concurrence to admit the House petition of the city of Gloucester and town of Rockport for authority to sell certain town landings, and the same was referred to the House of Representatives.

Gloucester and
Rockport.

The House petition of William Graves and others of Mansfield for authority to form a water district and to introduce a public water supply, and also to issue bonds for the payment of the cost of the same, came up referred to the committee on Water Supply, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule, and the question on concurring in the suspension of the said rule was determined as follows, to wit:—

William Graves
et al.

YEAS.—Messrs. Alger,	Bigelow,	Cogswell,
Emerson,	Forbes,	Gove,
Howard,	Howland,	Jones, F. W.,
Joyner,	Kendricken,	Milliken,
Morrill,	Morse,	Murphy,
Reed,	Scott,	Wilbur. — 18.

NAYS.—Messrs. Boynton,	Dunbar,	Gleason,
Gunn,	Harlow,	Jefts,
Jones, E. D. G.,	Lilley,	Norris,
Nourse,	Phillips,	Tappan. — 12.

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Douglas,	Gould,	Hayes,
Jefferson,	Joslin,	Locke,
McGahey,	Naphen,	Walker. — 9.

So the Senate refused to suspend the 12th Joint Rule, less than four-fifths of the members of the Senate present and voting thereon having voted in the affirmative, and the petition was accordingly referred to the General Court under said rule.

Notice of rejection.

Notice was received that the following-named Senate bills had been rejected by the House of Representatives:—

Authorizing certain cities to license any citizens of the United States as private detectives.

In amendment of section 14 of chapter 298 of the Acts of the year 1884 relating to registrars of voters.

To authorize Savings Banks and Institutions for Savings to invest in bonds of the City of Cincinnati.

Relative to the laying out and construction of a foot-way on the railroad bridge between the city of Haverhill and the town of Bradford.

Committee on Railroads.

A report of the committee on Railroads, that all the matters pending before the committee have been heard with the exception of one, and that is assigned for hearing on June 1, — there are five other matters unreported, and the committee will in all probability have finished all their business and reported thereon on or before June 4, 1886, was accepted in concurrence.

Bills Enacted and Resolves Passed.

Bills enacted and to Governor.

The following engrossed bills (the first three of which originated in the Senate) passed to be enacted, to wit:—

In relation to the fees and expenses of agents appointed by the Governor to demand of the authorities of other States offenders fleeing from justice.

To confirm the proceedings of the last annual meeting of the Great Barrington Fire District.

To incorporate the Improved Dwellings Association of Springfield.

To supply the Turner's Falls Fire District with pure water.

The following engrossed resolves (both of which originated in the Senate) passed and with the above mentioned bills were laid before the Governor for his approval, to wit:—

Resolves passed, etc.

Providing for certain improvements and repairs at the Massachusetts Agricultural College at Amherst, and for the further equipment thereof.

In favor of Cynthia G. Melvin.

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

The House report of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, on an order relative to uniform charges for the use of telephones and telephone service by the American Bell and other telephone companies, and relative to placing said companies under control of the railroad commissioners, was further considered, the question being on the adoption of the substitute proposed by Mr. Lilley, viz., a bill placing telephone companies under state supervision and inspection, and the same was substituted, read and ordered to a second reading.

Telephone companies.

The House report of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, on the petition of G. H. Manning and others for legislation defining the right of telegraph and telephone companies to maintain poles and lines of wire in public highways, was accepted in concurrence.

G. H. Manning et alia.

The bill relating to regulations that may be adopted by aldermen and selectmen concerning street parades in cities and towns, was further considered and laid on the table.

Street parades.

The bill to incorporate the Onset Street Railway Company was further considered, amended as proposed by the committee on the Judiciary and on motion of Mr. Howland, and ordered to a third reading.

Onset Street Railway Co.

The bill relating to licenses to plant, grow and dig oysters, and extending the time in which oysters may be taken, was further considered. Mr. Norris proposed an amendment therein and the bill was passed over.

Oysters.

The House resolve in favor of Margaret Tobin, administratrix, was read a third time. The committee on Bills in the Third Reading reported as a substitute therefor a

Margaret Tobin.

Unclaimed
moneys.

bill providing for the disposition of unclaimed moneys paid into the treasury of the Commonwealth by receivers of certain insolvent corporations, and the same was substituted, read and referred to the committee on the Treasury.

Cottage City.
Minors and
women.

The bills
To supply the town of Cottage City with water; and
Relating to the employment of minors and women in mercantile establishments, were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Boston, tru-
ants, etc.

The Senate bill to provide for the establishment of a school for truants and absentees from school in the city of Boston, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Boston, Public
Parks in.

The bill in addition to an Act for the laying out of public parks in or near the city of Boston was read a third time, and amended as proposed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading. Mr. Wilbur again moved to substitute the bill of the same title as originally reported by the committee on Cities (Senate, No. 221), and the question on this motion was determined as follows, to wit:—

YEAS. — Messrs. Boynton, Gunn, Norris,	Dunbar, Jefts, Wilbur. — 8.	Gleason, Jones, E. D. G.,
NAYS. — Messrs Cogswell, Joyner, Naphen,	Gove, Kendricken, Scott,	Jones, F. W., Morse, Tappan. — 9.

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Douglas, Howard, Milliken, Phillips. — 10.	Forbes, Jefferson, Morrill,	Hayes, McGahey, Nourse,
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PAIRED — Mr. Reed (yea) with Mr. Murphy (nay). Mr. Bigelow (yea) with Mr. Alger (nay). Mr. Joslin (yea) with Mr. Locke (nay). Mr. Walker (yea) with Mr. Emerson (nay). Mr. Gould (yea) with Mr. Howland (nay). Mr. Harlow (yea) with Mr. Lilley (nay). — 12.

So the substitute was rejected and the bill passed to be engrossed.

The House bill authorizing the town of Scituate to pay certain soldiers, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence, and passed over on the question of perfecting the title. Scituate, Town of.

The Senate report of the committee on Water Supply, on the petition of Charles I. Rawson and others for an act of incorporation as the Huguenot Water Company for the purpose of supplying the town of Oxford with pure water, was accepted. Charles I. Rawson et al.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The House report of the committee on Water Supply, on an order relative to permitting cities and towns to raise money for the purpose of supplying their inhabitants with pure water, was accepted in concurrence. Water Supply.

Adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, June 2, 1886.

Met according to adjournment.

Mr. Cogswell from the committee on the Judiciary, on an order relative to amending sections one and two of the Public Statutes in regard to punishing the crime of seduction, etc., and the several petitions in aid thereof, reported a bill to punish the crime of seduction and other acts of unlawful sexual intercourse, and the same was read and ordered to a second reading. Seduction.

The same Senator, from the same committee, on the House bill to permit a defendant in an action at law to require adverse parties claiming funds in his hands to interplead; and Defendant.

Mr. Walker, from the committee on the Treasury, on the Senate bill providing for the disposition of unclaimed moneys paid into the treasury of the Commonwealth by receivers of certain insolvent corporations; and Unclaimed moneys.

The House resolve for the printing of copies of a portion of the seventeenth report of the Bureau of Statistics of Labor; and Statistics of Labor.

Appropriations.

Mr. Morrill, from the same committee, on the House bill in further addition to an Act making appropriations for expenses authorized the present year, and for certain other expenses authorized by law; and

Cities, Charter for.

The House resolve for the appointment of a commission to consider and report to the General Court general laws and form of charter for the government of cities, reported that these bills and resolves severally ought to pass, and they were ordered to a second reading.

Justices.

Mr. Lilley, from the committee on the Judiciary, to whom was recommitted the Senate bill providing that justices who receive complaints and issue warrants shall not preside at trials upon such complaints; and

Mr. Cogswell, from the same committee, to whom was recommitted the House bill concerning the punishment for rape, reported that these bills severally ought to pass with certain amendments, and they were placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow on the question of engrossment.

Thomas McGovern.

Mr. Cogswell, from the committee on the Judiciary, on the petition of Thos. McGovern for a confirmation of his acts as a justice of the peace; and

H. K. Osborn.

Mr. Phillips, from the committee on Railroads, on the petition of H. K. Osborn in regard to the grade crossing of the Boston and Maine Railroad on Causeway Street, in the city of Boston, severally reported that the petitioners have leave to withdraw, and these reports were read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow.

Taunton Lunatic Hospital.

Mr. Howland, introduced on leave, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule, a resolve to authorize the trustees of the State Lunatic Hospital at Taunton to exchange certain lands, and the same was referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Sent down for concurrence in the suspension of the 12th Joint Rule.

Came up concurred.

Seduction.

Mr. Morse presented a petition of Maria S. Porter and others for additional legislation to punish the crime of seduction and to raise the age of consent, and the same was placed on file.

*Papers from the House.***Bills**

To establish the office of auditor in towns (on an order Auditor in
in relation to the subject) ; and Towns.

To enable the town of Everett to raise money by taxation to extend its water works (on the petition of the Everett, Town
water commissioners of said town), were severally read of.
and ordered to a second reading.

The Senate resolve in favor of Benjamin C. Lincoln Benj. C.
came up, passed to be engrossed in concurrence with an Lincoln.
amendment, and the resolve was placed in the Orders of
the Day for to-morrow.

Reports (that it is inexpedient to legislate),

Of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, on an order Reports.
relative to further legislation concerning the regulation
and conduct of telegraph and telephone companies doing
business in the Commonwealth ; and

Of the committee on Cities, on an order relative to re-
pealing chapter 323 of the Acts of the year 1885, being
an act to establish a Board of Police for the city of Boston,
and authorizing the mayor of Boston to appoint a Board
of Police for the city of Boston ; and

A report of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, grant-
ing leave to withdraw, on the petition of S. E. Tweed and
others, that the right of the American Bell Telephone
Company to take stock in any other telephone companies
may be limited ; and

A report of the committee on Agriculture, reference to
the next General Court, on an order relative to setting
off a portion of land owned by the Agricultural College
to the State Experiment Station, for its exclusive use ;
and

A report of the joint committee on the Judiciary, on an
order relative to the manner of apportionment of senator-
ial districts, that the senatorial districts in the cities of
the Commonwealth should be made according to the wards
which existed at the time the last census was taken, and
not according to wards which may have been established
subsequently, were severally read and placed in the
Orders of the Day for to-morrow.

Order Adopted.

The following order was adopted in concurrence : —

State House
Elevators.

Ordered, That the committee on State House, with the aid of one or more experts, examine the elevators in the State House, and report upon their condition as soon as possible. [Substituted for the Senate report of the committee on State House on the order relative to the work of repairing the State House elevators.]

Fall River,
City of.

Mr. Scott, from the committee on Water Supply, on the petition of the mayor of Fall River for an amendment to chapter 133, acts of 1871, entitled an act for supplying the City of Fall River with pure water, — in view of the legal questions involved, — reported asking to be discharged from the further consideration thereof, and recommended that the same be referred to the joint committee on the Judiciary, and the report was accepted and sent down for concurrence.

Bill Enacted.

Bill enacted
and to Gov-
ernor.

An engrossed bill in relation to taxation of telephone companies (which originated in the House) passed to be enacted, and was laid before the Governor for his approval.

Boston, Public
Parks in.

Mr. Wilbur moved to reconsider the vote by which the Senate yesterday passed to be engrossed the Senate bill in addition to an Act for the laying out of public parks in or near the city of Boston, and the question on this motion was determined as follows, to wit : —

YEAS. — Messrs. Bigelow,	Boynton,	Gleason,
Harlow,	Jefferson,	Jefts,
Jones, E. D. G.,	Milliken,	Morrill,
Norris,	Nourse,	Reed,
Wilbur. — 13.		

NAYS. — Messrs. Alger,	Cogswell,	Douglas,
Forbes,	Hayes,	Howard,
Howland,	Jones, F. W.,	Joyner,
Kendrick,	Lilley,	Locke,
McGahey,	Morse,	Murphy,
Scott,	Tappan. — 17.	

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Dunbar,	Gould,	Gove,
Gunn,	Joslin,	Naphen,
Phillips. — 7.		

PAIRED. — Mr. Walker (yea) with Mr. Emerson (nay). — 2.

So the motion to reconsider was lost and the bill sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Mr. Reed moved to reconsider the vote by which the Senate refused to suspend the 12th Joint Rule to admit the House petition of William Graves and others of Mansfield for authority to form a water district and to introduce a public water supply, and also to issue bonds for the payment of the cost of the same, and the motion was carried in the affirmative. The question then recurring on the suspension of the 12th Joint Rule, it was determined as follows, to wit:—

YEAS. — Messrs. Alger,	Bigelow,	Cogswell,
Douglas,	Forbes,	Harlow,
Hayes,	Howard,	Howland,
Jefts,	Jones, E. D. G.,	Jones, F. W.,
Joslin,	Joyner,	Kendricken,
Locke,	McGahey,	Milliken,
Morrill,	Morse,	Murphy,
Nourse,	Reed,	Scott,
Tappan,	Walker,	Wilbur. — 27

NAYS. — Messrs. Boynton,	Jefferson,	Lilley,
Norris,	Phillips. — 5.	

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Dunbar,	Emerson,	Gleason,
Gould,	Gove,	Gunn,
Napphen. — 7.		

So the 12th Joint Rule was suspended, and the petition thereupon referred in concurrence to the committee on Water Supply.

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

The bills

To incorporate the Bradford Water Company; and

To authorize the Boston and Lowell Railroad Corporation to unite and consolidate with certain railroads now leased or operated by it, to purchase the property, rights and franchises of said railroads, and increase its capital stock therefor, were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Senate Bill to incorporate the Onset Street Railway Company was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

William Graves
et als.

Bills.

Onset Street
Railway Co.

Cottage City.

The Senate Bill to supply the town of Cottage City with pure water, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Fannie L. Nye.

The Senate report of the committee on Military Affairs, on the petition of Fannie L. Nye for State Aid was accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Real estate.

The report of the joint committee on the Judiciary on an order relative to imposing restraints upon the alienation of real estate was accepted in concurrence.

Soldiers and sailors.

The House bill authorizing the appointment to office of honorably discharged soldiers and sailors without competitive civil service examinations was further considered and amended as proposed by the committee on the Judiciary; but without further action thereon, the Senate

Adjourned.

THURSDAY, June 3, 1886.

Met according to adjournment.

State House.

Mr. Hayes, from the committee on State House, under authority of section 13, chapter 5 of the Public Statutes, reported a resolve providing for repairs and improvements in the State House; and

Lieutenant-Governor William Dummer.

On the order relative to obtaining a copy of the portrait of Lieutenant-Governor William Dummer, a resolve relating to a portrait of Lieutenant-Governor William Dummer; and these resolves were severally read and referred to the committee on the Treasury.

John W. Candler et al.

Mr. Milliken, from the committee on Street Railways, on the petition of John W. Candler and others for incorporation as the Boston Elevated Railway Company; and

H. H. Hutchins et al.

On the petition of H. H. Hutchins and others for incorporation as the Boston and Somerville Elevated Rail-

way Company, reported that the petitioners severally have leave to withdraw.

Mr. Joslin, from the committee on Banks and Banking, Savings Banks. on so much of the Governor's Address as relates to savings banks, reported that no legislation is necessary thereon; and

Mr. Hayes, from the same committee, on an order Ibid. relative to further legislation concerning savings banks and institutions for savings, reported that it is inexpedient to legislate thereon; and these reports were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow.

Papers from the House.

A bill concerning the Massachusetts School for the Feeble-Minded, on an order relating to further legislation in the interest and for the benefit of the School for the Feeble-Minded at South Boston, was read and referred to the committee on the Treasury. School for Feeble-Minded.

The following paper was referred in concurrence:—

A petition of Benj. W. Crowninshield and others in aid of the petition of J. J. H. Gregory and others for legislation to enable the town of Marblehead to obtain a water supply; J. J. H. Gregory et al.

To the committee on Water Supply.

An engrossed bill to incorporate the Braintree Water Supply Company (which originated in the Senate) passed to be enacted, and was laid before the Governor for his approval. Bill enacted and to Governor.

A report of the committee on Water Supply, granting leave to withdraw, on so much of the petition of the Cottage City Gas Company for an amendment of its charter as relates to furnishing water to the inhabitants of Cottage City was read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow. Cottage City Gas Co.

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

The Senate bill relating to the employment of minors and women in mercantile establishments (in a new draft of the House bill) was read a third time and passed to be engrossed. Minors and Women.

Sent down for concurrence.

- The bills**
- Bills.** To punish the crime of seduction and other acts of unlawful sexual intercourse ;
 Providing for the disposition of unclaimed moneys paid into the treasury of the Commonwealth by receivers of certain insolvent corporations ;
 To permit a defendant in an action at law to require adverse parties claiming funds in his hands to interplead ;
 In further addition to an Act making appropriations for expenses authorized the present year, and for certain other expenses authorized by law ; and
 To enable the town of Everett to raise money by taxation to extend its water works ; and the
- Resolve.** Resolve providing for the printing of copies of a portion of the seventeenth report of the Bureau of Statistics of Labor were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.
- Bradford Water Company.** The Senate bill to incorporate the Bradford Water Company was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.
 Sent down for concurrence.
- Benj. C. Lincoln.** The Senate concurred in the amendments proposed by the House in the resolve in favor of Benj. C. Lincoln.
- Thomas McGovern.** The Senate report of the committee on the Judiciary, on the petition of Thomas McGovern for a confirmation of his acts as a justice of the peace, was accepted.
- H. K. Osborn et al.** The Senate report of the committee on Railroads, on the petition of H. K. Osborn in regard to the grade crossing of the Boston and Maine Railroad on Causeway Street in the city of Boston, was accepted.
 Sent down for concurrence.
 Came up concurred.
- Reports.** The House reports
 Of the committee on Agriculture, on an order relative to setting off a portion of land owned by the Agricultural College to the State Experiment Station, for its exclusive use ;
 Of the joint committee on the Judiciary, on an order relative to the manner of apportionment of senatorial districts, that the senatorial districts in the cities of the Commonwealth should be made according to the wards which existed at the time the last census was taken, and

not according to wards which may have been established subsequently; and

Of the committee on Cities, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to repealing chapter 323 of the Acts of the year 1885, being an act to establish a Board of Police for the city of Boston, and authorizing the mayor of Boston to appoint a Board of Police for the city of Boston, were severally accepted in concurrence.

The House bill authorizing the appointment to office of ^{Soldiers and Sailors.} honorably discharged soldiers and sailors without competitive civil service examinations was further considered, but without action thereon the Senate

Adjourned.

FRIDAY, June 4, 1886.

Met according to adjournment.

Mr. Cogswell presented a petition of George T. Knox ^{George T. Knox.} for confirmation of certain acts performed by him as a commissioner for the Commonwealth of Massachusetts in the State of California, and the same was referred, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule, to the committee on the Judiciary.

Sent down for concurrence in the suspension of the 12th Joint Rule.

Came up concurred.

On motion of Mr. Cogswell, the vote by which the Senate yesterday accepted the report of the committee on the Judiciary on the petition of Thomas McGovern for a confirmation of his acts as a justice of the peace was reconsidered and the report ordered to be placed in the Orders of the Day for Tuesday next. ^{Thomas McGovern.}

The Orders of the Day were taken up and the unfinished business of yesterday, viz. : —

The House bill authorizing the appointment to office of ^{Soldiers and Sailors.} honorably discharged soldiers and sailors without competitive civil service examinations was further considered, and the question on ordering the same to a third reading was determined as follows, to wit : —

YEAS. — Messrs. Bigelow, Cogswell, Douglas,
Emerson, Gove, Howland,
Jefts, Jones, F. W., Joyner,
Kendricken, Lilley, Locke,
McGahey, Milliken, Morrill,
Morse, Murphy, Reed,
Walker. — 19.

NAYS. — Messrs. Dunbar, Forbes, Gleason,
Gunn, Harlow, Hayes,
Jones, E. D. G., Joslin, Norris,
Nourse, Phillips, Scott,
Tappan. — 18.

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Mr. Howard. — 1.

PAIRED. — Mr. Jefferson (yea) with Mr. Wilbur (nay). Mr. Naphen (yea) with Mr. Alger (nay). Mr. Boynton (yea) with Mr. Gould (nay). — 6.

So the bill was ordered to a third reading.

Oysters.

The Senate bill relating to licenses to plant, grow and dig oysters, and extending the time in which oysters may be taken, was further considered. Mr. Norris withdrew the amendment previously proposed by him, and the bill passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

County Prisons.

The House bill in relation to the appointment of physicians and chaplains of county prisons, was read a third time and rejected.

**Scituate,
Town of.**

The House bill authorizing the town of Scituate to pay certain soldiers was further considered, the question being on perfecting the title, the title was amended, and the bill sent down for concurrence in the amendment.

**Amesbury and
Salisbury.**

The House bill to annex a part of the town of Salisbury to the town of Amesbury, was read a third time, amended on motion of Mr. Cogswell, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence with the amendment, which was sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

**Telephone
companies.**

The Senate bill placing telephone companies under State supervision and inspection, was read a second time, and passed over.

The House bill to establish the office of auditor in Town auditors. towns, was read a second time, and ordered to a third reading.

The House bill to authorize the Boston and Lowell Boston and Lowell R.R. Co. Railroad Corporation to unite and consolidate with certain railroads now leased or operated by it, to purchase the property, rights and franchises of said railroads, and increase its capital stock therefor, was read a third time, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

The Senate bill to punish the crime of seduction and Seduction. other acts of unlawful sexual intercourse, was read a third time, and passed to be engrossed.
Sent down for concurrence.

The Senate bill providing for the disposition of un- Unclaimed moneys. claimed moneys paid into the treasury of the Commonwealth by receivers of certain insolvent corporations, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.
Sent down for concurrence.

The House bills

Bills.

In further addition to an act making appropriations for expenses authorized the present year, and for certain other expenses authorized by law ;

To enable the town of Everett to raise money by taxation to extend its water works ; and

The House resolve providing for the printing of copies Resolve. of a portion of the seventeenth report of the Bureau of Statistics of Labor, were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

The Senate reports

Reports.

Of the committee on Street Railways, on the petition of H. H. Hutchins and others for incorporation as the Boston and Somerville Elevated Railway Company ;

Of the committee on Banks and Banking, on an order relative to further legislation concerning savings banks and institutions for savings ; and

On so much of the Governor's Address as relates to savings banks, were severally accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The House report of the committee on Water Supply,

on so much of the petition of the Cottage City Gas Company for an amendment of its charter as relates to furnishing water to the inhabitants of Cottage City, was accepted in concurrence.

Adjourned.

MONDAY, June 7, 1886.

Met according to adjournment.

Nantucket,
Town of.

Mr Gove, from the committee on Harbors and Public Lands, on the petition of the selectmen of Nantucket, reported a bill to provide for the preservation of the public health in the town of Nantucket; and

Massachusetts
Reformatory.

Mr. Joyner, from the committee on the Judiciary, on so much of the annual report of the Commissioners of Prisons as relates to sentences to the State Prison and the Massachusetts Reformatory, reported a bill concerning sentences to the Massachusetts Reformatory and the terms of imprisonment therein, and these bills were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Prisoners,
Release of.

Mr. Cogswell, from the committee on the Judiciary, to whom was referred the Senate bill relating to the release of prisoners for good conduct (introduced on leave), reported that the same ought to pass in a new draft, and it was ordered to a second reading.

Auction sales.

The same Senator, from the same committee, on the House bill in relation to the sale of goods at auction, reported, asking to be discharged from the further consideration thereof, and the report was accepted and the bill ordered to a second reading.

Muskeget and
Gravelly Islands.

The same Senator, from the same committee, on the House bill to annex Muskeget Island and Gravelly Islands to Nantucket County, reported that the same ought not pass, and it was placed in the Orders of the Day for tomorrow on the question of rejection.

State Lunatic
Hospital at
Taunton.

The same Senator, from the same committee, on the Senate resolve to authorize the trustees of the State Lunatic Hospital at Taunton to exchange certain lands

(introduced on leave), reported that the same ought to pass, and it was ordered to a second reading.

The same Senator, from the committee on the Judiciary, Prison supplies. on the order relative to amending section 57 of chapter 220 of the Public Statutes by inserting after the word "furnish," in the first line of said section, the following, "under the direction of the county commissioners and ;"

And also relative to providing that the county commissioners of the several counties of the Commonwealth shall be required to furnish and purchase, at the expense of the county they represent, all necessary supplies for the several courts situated in the county, including district and police courts in said county, reported that it is inexpedient to legislate thereon, and the report was read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow.

Mr. Reed, from the joint committee on Probate and Insolvency, on the petition of Francis T. Cordis, Francis T. Cordis. reported a resolve to confirm the title to the homestead estate of Francis T. Cordis of Longmeadow, in the county of Hampden, and the same was read and ordered to a second reading.

Order Adopted.

On motion of Mr. Norris, —

Ordered, That Rule 9, which requires the clerk to retain Senate Rule 9, Suspension of. papers in reference to which any member has a right to move a reconsideration for one legislative day, be suspended until otherwise ordered.

The bill relating to regulations that may be adopted by Street Parades. aldermen and selectmen concerning street parades in cities and towns, was taken from the table and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow.

Mr. Jones of Essex moved to reconsider the vote by County Prisons. which the Senate rejected the bill in relation to the appointment of physicians and chaplains of county prisons, and the motion was laid on the table.

On motion of Mr. Cogswell, the vote by which the Thomas McGovern. report of the committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Thomas McGovern for a confirmation of his acts as a justice of the peace, was assigned for consideration to-morrow was reconsidered ;

The same Senator moved to substitute therefor a resolve to confirm the acts of Thomas McGovern, and the resolve was substituted, read and ordered to a second reading.

Papers from the House.

The following order was read and laid over on the objection of Mr. Milliken :—

Judicial System
of the Common-
wealth.

Ordered, That there be appointed a joint special committee, to consist of six members upon the part of the House of Representatives, with such as the Senate may join, to sit during the recess, hear such evidence as may be submitted after public notice and consider what changes, if any, are advisable or necessary in the judicial system of the Commonwealth relating to the inferior courts, viz., police, district and municipal courts and trial justices, or in the powers and duties of such courts and magistrates. Said committee shall report fully in print to the legislature at its next annual session the results of their investigations, together with their recommendations relating thereto. Said committee shall be provided with a room in the State House by the Sergeant-at-Arms, who shall also furnish all necessary stationery and postage ; shall be allowed a stenographer, if found necessary by the committee ; and they shall be paid such compensation as shall be determined by the governor and council.

Bills

Bills.

To incorporate the Berkshire Heights Water Company of Great Barrington (on the petition of E. D. Brainard and others) ;

To authorize the town of Plymouth to obtain an additional supply of water and to issue notes, bonds or scrip for that purpose (on the petition of the Water Commissioners of said town and a bill on leave) ;

Concerning sales of land by cities and towns for taxes (on an order relative to so amending the laws in reference to sales of real estate for taxes as to provide more effectually for the protection of holders of tax titles of persons whose estates are sold for taxes, and persons claiming under them, and of the city or town whose collector makes such sale), in part ;

To change the name of the South Pocasset Cemetery Association (on the petition of said association) ;

To amend the charter of the city of New Bedford in

relation to its overseers of the poor (in a new draft of the Senate bill) ;

To prevent the sale of impure ice (on an order in relation to the subject) ; and

In relation to the inspection of milk (on an order in relation to the subject), were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Resolutions relating to the seizure of American fishing vessels by the Canadian authorities (on an order relative to such action by the legislature as shall fittingly express the sentiments of the people of the Commonwealth in regard to the recent seizure of American fishing vessels by the Canadian authorities) were read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow.

Reports (that it is inexpedient to legislate),

Of the committee on Banks and Banking, on an order (recommitted) relative to requiring savings banks to keep a system of accounts and a record of deposits so that a comprehensive knowledge may be obtained of the amount and sums deposited by the wage workers of the State ; and

Of the committee on Insurance, on an order relative to preventing fire insurance companies from combining to charge excessive rates of premium ; and a

Report of the committee on Street Railways (reference to the next General Court), on the subject matter of an order relative to constituting the railroad commissioners a board of appeal in matters of location and regulation of motive power ;

Reports (granting leave to withdraw),

Of the committee on Street Railways, on the petition (recommitted) of M. C. Warren & Co. and others for an act of incorporation as the City Elevated Railroad Company ;

Of the committee on Water Supply, on the petition of the assessors and selectmen and others of Marblehead for an amendment of the act to incorporate the Marblehead Water Company ; and

Of the committee on Water Supply, on the petition of Turner's Falls Co. that it may be authorized to furnish the town of Montague with water for the extinguishment of fires and for domestic and other purposes ; and

Reports (that no legislation is necessary),

Of the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, on

the annual report of the trustees of the State Primary and Reform Schools; and

Of the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, on the annual report of the trustees of the Northampton Lunatic Hospital, were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow.

Cities of the
Commonwealth.

A bill to establish wards, precincts and assessment districts in the cities of the Commonwealth was referred, in concurrence, to the joint committee on the Judiciary, with instructions to report such legislation, if any, as is needed under the recent opinion of the supreme judicial court.

Bennington
Monument
Fund.

The House bill to create the Bennington Monument Fund was read and referred to the committee on the Treasury.

Fall River, City
of.

The Senate report of the committee on Water Supply, on the petition of the mayor of Fall River for an amendment to chapter 133, Acts of 1871, entitled "An Act for supplying the city of Fall River with pure water," — in view of the legal questions involved, — asking to be discharged from the further consideration thereof, and recommending that the same be referred to the joint committee on the Judiciary, came up adopted in concurrence, with an amendment inserting after the word "Judiciary" the words "with instructions to give both parties a hearing and report as soon as possible"; and the Senate concurred therein.

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

Telephone com-
panies.

The bill placing telephone companies under State supervision and inspection was referred to the committee on the Treasury.

Cities, Govern-
ment of.

The House resolve for the appointment of a commission to consider and report to the General Court general laws and form of charter for the government of cities was read a second time and recommitted to the committee on Cities.

Justices.

The Senate bill providing that justices who receive complaints and issue warrants shall not preside at trials upon such complaints was further considered, amended as

proposed by the committee on the Judiciary (also on motion of Mr. Forbes) and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

The House bill concerning the punishment of rape was further considered, the amendment proposed by the committee on the Judiciary was withdrawn, and the bill was amended, on motion of Mr. Cogswell; and the question on passing the same to be engrossed was determined as follows, to wit:—

YEAS. — Messrs. Alger,	Bigelow,	Boynton,
Cogswell,	Douglas,	Dunbar,
Emerson,	Forbes,	Gleason,
Gould,	Harlow,	Hayes,
Howard,	Howland,	Jefferson,
Jefts,	Jones, F. W.,	Joyner,
Kendricken,	Lilley,	Locke,
Milliken,	Morrill,	Morse,
Murphy,	Norris,	Nourse,
Reed,	Scott,	Tappan,
Walker,	Wilbur. — 32.	

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs Gove,	Gunn,	Jones, E. D. G.,
Joslin,	McGahey,	Naphen,
Phillips. — 7.		

So the bill passed to be engrossed in concurrence, with the amendments, which were sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The report of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, on an order relative to further legislation concerning the regulation and conduct of telegraph and telephone companies doing business in the Commonwealth was considered. Telegraph and telephone companies.

Mr. Forbes moved to substitute therefor a bill placing telegraph and telephone companies under State supervision and inspection; and the report was passed over and the bill ordered to be printed.

The report of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, on the petition of S. E. Tweed and others, that the right of the American Bell Telephone Company to take stock in any other telephone companies may be limited was referred to the committee on the Judiciary. S. E. Tweed et al.

The House bill to permit a defendant in an action at law to require adverse parties claiming funds in his hands Defendant.

to interplead was read a third time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

John W. Candler et als.

The Senate report of the committee on Street Railways, on the petition of John W. Candler and others for incorporation as the Boston Elevated Railway Company was accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Soldiers and Sailors.

The House bill authorizing the appointment to office of honorably discharged soldiers and sailors without competitive civil service examination was read a third time, amended as proposed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, also on motion of Mr. Cogswell; and the question on passing the same to be engrossed was determined as follows, to wit: —

YEAS. — Messrs. Bigelow,	Boynton,	Cogswell,
Douglas,	Howard,	Howland,
Jefferson,	Jefts,	Jones, F. W.,
Joyner,	Kendricken,	Lilley,
Locke,	Milliken,	Morrill,
Morse,	Murphy,	Reed,
Walker. — 19.		

NAYS. — Messrs. Dunbar,	Forbes,	Gleason,
Gould,	Harlow,	Hayes,
Nourse,	Scott,	Tappan,
Wilbur. — 10.		

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Gove,	Gunn,	Joslin,
McGahey. — 4.		

Paired. — Mr. Emerson (yea) with Mr. Phillips (nay). Mr. Jones, E. D. G., (yea) with Mr. Norris (nay). Mr. Naphen (yea) with Mr. Alger (nay). — 6.

So the bill passed to be engrossed, in concurrence with the amendments, and was then amended in the title and sent down for concurrence in the amendments.

Auditors in towns.

The bill to establish the office of auditor in towns was read a third time, amended on motion of Mr. Forbes, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence with the amendment, which was sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Adjourned.

TUESDAY, June 8, 1886.

Met according to adjournment.

On motion of Mr. Cogswell, that Senator was charged Soldiers and sailors. with a message to the House of Representatives to request the return of the bill giving preference in appointment to office to honorably discharged soldiers and sailors without civil service examinations, and the same having been returned to the Senate, the vote by which the bill yesterday passed to be engrossed was reconsidered, also the vote by which the amendment was adopted striking from the first section the words "But nothing herein contained shall be construed to prevent such persons from making application for such examination, or from taking such examination, provided they are entitled to do so under the rules of said commissioners," and the question then recurring on the adoption of the amendment, it was carried in the negative and the bill was again passed to be engrossed and was sent to the House of Representatives for concurrence in the amendment to the title.

Came up concurred.

Mr. Scott, from the committee on Water Supply, on Marblehead, Town of. the petition of J. J. H. Gregory and others, reported a bill to supply the town of Marblehead with water, and the same was read and ordered to a second reading.

Mr. Joyner, from the committee on Claims, on the Edward C. Hawkes. petition of Edward C. Hawkes, reported a resolve in favor of Edward C. Hawkes, and the same was read and referred to the committee on the Treasury.

Mr. Morrill, from the committee on the Treasury, to Russell, Town of. whom was referred the resolve in favor of the town of Russell, reported that the resolve ought not to pass, and it was placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow on the question of rejection.

The same Senator, from the same committee, on the State House. Senate resolve providing for repairs and improvements

in the State House, reported that the same ought to pass, and it was ordered to a second reading.

Bills.

Mr. Douglas, from the committee on the Treasury, on the House bills to create the Bennington Monument Fund; and

Concerning the Massachusetts School for the Feeble-Minded, reported that these bills severally ought to pass, and they were ordered to a second reading.

Reports.

Mr. Jefferson, from the committee on Railroads, on the Annual Report of the Railroad Commissioners, reported that no legislation is necessary thereon.

Mr. Norris, from the committee on Railroads, on the petition of the Boston and Lowell Railroad Corporation for power to complete its location in Concord, reported that the petitioner have leave to withdraw (at its own request).

Mr. Milliken, from the committee on Street Railways, on the petition of Thomas H. Bacon and others for incorporation as the California Cable Railroad Company, recommitted, reported that the petitioners have leave to withdraw; and

On the order relative to amending the general laws concerning operation of street railways by electricity, reported that the same be referred to the next General Court, and these reports were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow.

Bills**Bills.**

To provide for a union railroad passenger station between Charles River and Causeway Street in the city of Boston (on the petition of the Boston and Maine Railroad and the Eastern Railroad Company);

To enable the Eastern Railroad Company to provide for the reduction of the amount of its certificates of indebtedness and to issue second mortgage bonds therefor (on the petition of Jarvis D. Braman);

To authorize the repayment of a certain sum of money by the city of Cambridge to the Fitchburg Railroad Company and for other purposes (on the petition of the Fitchburg Railroad Company); and

To authorize the city of Malden to issue additional

water fund bonds (on the petition of said city), were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

A report of the committee on Education, granting leave Reports. to withdraw, on the petition of C. C. Coffin and others for the enactment of a law to provide for the election of a school committee upon separate ballots; and

Reports

Of the committee on Education, that it is inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to further legislation concerning the regulation, management and requirements of the public schools; and

On an order relative to the election of school committees on a separate ballot, and also for their election in cities by districts; and

A report of the committee on Education, reference to the next General Court, on so much of the Governor's Address as relates to public schools; and

A report of the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, that no further legislation is necessary, on the report of the trustees of the Westborough Insane Hospital, were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for tomorrow.

A petition of the mayor of Lawrence that said city be Lawrence, City of. permitted to restore its wards and boundaries as they existed prior to the change made under authority of chapter 346 of the Acts of the year 1885, was referred in concurrence to the joint committee on the Judiciary.

The Senate bill to provide for the establishment of a Truants and absentees. school for truants and absentees from school in the city of Boston came up passed to be engrossed in concurrence with an amendment in the title, and the Senate concurred therein.

The Senate resolve granting aid to the town of Lee Lee, Town of. came up passed to be engrossed in concurrence with certain amendments, and the Senate concurred therein.

The bill for the better protection of forests from fire, Forest fires. being put upon its final passage, was amended under a suspension of Senate Rule, No. 46.

Sent down for concurrence in the amendment.

Came up concurred.

Bills Enacted and Resolves Passed.

Bills enacted
and to Gov-
ernor.

The following engrossed bills (the first two of which originated in the Senate) passed to be enacted, to wit:—

To establish the salary of the Secretary of the Board of Commissioners of Prisons.

To protect the purity of inland waters.

Making an appropriation for the improvement of the Commonwealth's flats at South Boston.

To authorize the town of Lenox to construct a system of sewage disposal.

To authorize the Charlestown Gas Company to furnish electric light.

For the better preservation of birds and game.

Resolves
passed, etc.

The following engrossed resolves (the first of which originated in the Senate) passed, and, with the above-named bills, were laid before the Governor for his approval, to wit:—

In favor of Benjamin C. Lincoln.

In favor of John F. Wallace.

Relative to the erection of hospital buildings at the State Almshouse at Tewksbury.

Judicial system.

The order laid over from yesterday relating to the appointment of a joint committee to sit during the recess to consider what changes are advisable or necessary in the judicial system of the Commonwealth relating to inferior courts, was referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

Street parades.

The Senate bill relating to regulations that may be adopted by aldermen and selectmen concerning street parades in cities and towns was further considered, and the question on ordering the same to a third reading was determined as follows, to wit:—

YEAS.—Messrs. Cogswell,
Jefferson,
Morrill,

Dunbar,
Lilley,
Scott.—8.

Howard,
Milliken,

NAYS.—Messrs. Alger,
Forbes,
Gunn,
Joyner,
Norris,

Douglas,
Gleason,
Jones, E. D. G.,
Kendricken,
Reed,

Emerson,
Gould,
Joslin,
Morse,
Wilbur.—15.

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Bigelow,	Boynton,	Gove,
Harlow,	Hayes,	Howland,
Jefts,	Jones, F. W.,	Locke,
McGahey,	Murphy,	Naphen,
Nourse,	Phillips,	Tappan,
Walker. — 16.		

So the bill was refused a third reading.

The report of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, on an order relative to further legislation concerning the regulation and conduct of telegraph and telephone companies doing business in the Commonwealth, was further considered.

Telegraph and
telephone com-
panies.

The substitute proposed by Mr. Forbes, viz., bill placing telegraph and telephone corporations under State supervision and inspection, was adopted, read and referred to the committee on the Treasury.

The bills

To provide for the preservation of the public health in the town of Nantucket;

Relating to the release of prisoners for good conduct;

Concerning sentences to the Massachusetts Reformatory and the terms of imprisonment therein;

In relation to the sale of goods at auction;

Concerning sales of land by cities and towns for taxes;

To change the name of the South Pocasset Cemetery Association;

To amend the charter of the city of New Bedford in relation to its overseers of the poor; and

To prevent the sale of impure ice; and the Resolves

To confirm the title to the homestead estate of Francis T. Cordis of Longmeadow, in the county of Hampden;

Resolves.

To authorize the trustees of the State Lunatic Hospital at Taunton to exchange certain lands; and

To confirm the acts of Thomas McGovern as a justice of the peace, were severally read a second time, and ordered to a third reading.

The bill to incorporate the Berkshire Heights Water Company of Great Barrington, was read a second time, amended on motion of Mr. Scott, and ordered to a third reading.

Berkshire
Heights Water
Co.

**Plymouth,
Town of.**

The bill to authorize the town of Plymouth to obtain an additional supply of water and to issue notes, bonds or scrip for that purpose, was read a second time and amended, on motion of Mr. Howland, and ordered to a third reading.

Milk.

The bill in relation to the inspection of milk, was read a second time, amended on motion of Mr. Dunbar, and ordered to a third reading.

**Muskeget and
Gravelly Isl-
ands.**

The bill to annex Muskeget Island and Gravelly Islands to Nantucket County was considered, but without action thereon the bill was ordered to be placed in the Orders of the Day for Friday next.

Reports.

The report of the committee on the Judiciary, on the order relative to amending section 57 of chapter 220 of the Public Statutes by inserting after the word "furnish," in the first line of said section, the following, "under the direction of the county commissioners and";

And also relative to providing that the county commissioners of the several counties of the Commonwealth shall be required to furnish and purchase, at the expense of the county they represent, all necessary supplies for the several courts situated in the county, including district and police courts in said county, was accepted.

The House reports

Of the committee on Banks and Banking, on an order (recommitted) relative to requiring savings banks to keep a system of accounts and a record of deposits so that a comprehensive knowledge may be obtained of the amount and sums deposited by the wage workers of the State;

Of the committee on Insurance, on an order relative to preventing fire insurance companies from combining to charge excessive rates of premium;

Of the committee on Street Railways, on the subject matter of an order relative to constituting the railroad commissioners a board of appeal in matters of location and regulation of motive power;

Of the committee on Street Railways, on the petition (recommitted) of M. C. Warren & Co and others for an act of incorporation as the City Elevated Railroad Company;

Of the committee on Water Supply, on the petition of the assessors and selectmen and others of Marblehead for

an amendment of the act to incorporate the Marblehead Water Company;

Of the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, on the annual report of the trustees of the State Primary and Reform Schools;

Of the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, on the annual report of the trustees of the Northampton Lunatic Hospital; and

Of the committee on Water Supply, on the petition of Turner's Falls Co. that it may be authorized to furnish the town of Montague with water for the extinguishment of fires and for domestic and other purposes, were severally accepted in concurrence.

Adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, June 9, 1886.

Met according to adjournment.

Mr. Howland, from the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, on the Report of the Board of Health, Lunacy and Charity for the year 1884, reported a

Inebriates,
Asylum for.

Bill to establish an asylum for inebriates in the eastern part of the Commonwealth, and the same was read and referred to the committee on the Treasury.

Mr. Cogswell, from the committee on the Judiciary, on the petition of George T. Knox, reported

George T.
Knox.

A bill to confirm certain acts done by George T. Knox of San Francisco, in the State of California, as commissioner for Massachusetts, and the same was read and ordered to a second reading.

Mr. Wilbur, from the committee on Cities, to whom was recommitted the resolve for the appointment of a commission to consider and report to the General Court general laws and form of charter for the government of cities, reported that the same ought to pass, and it was placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow on the question of ordering the resolve to a third reading.

Mr. Wilbur, from the committee on Cities, on the order relative to abolishing the common council of the city of

Boston City of.

Boston, and of making the city council to consist only of one board of one member from each ward and seven members at large ; to empowering the mayor to appoint municipal officers absolutely, without requiring the confirmation by the board ; and to having municipal elections in said city take place biennially ; and to such other amendments to the charter of said city as may be necessitated by the above specified changes, or as may be expedient, reported that it is inexpedient to legislate thereon, and the report was read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow.

Papers from the House.

National Mortgage and De-benture Company.

A bill to incorporate the National Mortgage and Deben-ture Company of Boston, on the petition of Samuel N. Brown and others, was read and ordered to a second reading.

Superintend-ence of schools.

A report of the committee on Education, reference to the next General Court, on so much of the Forty-ninth Annual Report of the Board of Education as relates to the superintendence of schools, was read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow.

Onset Street Railway Co.

The Senate Bill to incorporate the Onset Street Rail-way Company came up passed to be engrossed in concurrence with an amendment, and the bill was placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow on the question of con-curring in the amendment.

American and Mexican Pacific R.R. Co.

A petition of the American and Mexican Pacific Rail-road Company for a change of its corporate name was referred in concurrence, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule, to the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

American fish-ing vessels.

The House resolutions relating to the seizure of Ameri-can fishing vessels by the Canadian authorities were adopted in concurrence.

The bills

To supply the town of Marblehead with water ;

To provide for a union railroad passenger station between Charles River and Causeway Street in the city of Boston ;

To authorize the repayment of a certain sum of money by the city of Cambridge to the Fitchburg Railroad Company and for other purposes ;

To authorize the city of Malden to issue additional water fund bonds ;

To create the Bennington Monument Fund ;

Concerning the Massachusetts School for the Feeble-Minded ; and the

Resolve providing for repairs and improvements in the State House, were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The House bill to enable the Eastern Railroad Company to provide for the reduction of the amount of its certificates of indebtedness and to issue second mortgage bonds therefor was read a second time and referred to the committee on the Judiciary. Eastern Railroad Co.

The resolve in favor of the town of Russell was passed over. Russell, Town of.

The Senate bill to provide for the preservation of the public health in the town of Nantucket was read a third time and passed to be engrossed. Nantucket, Town of.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The Senate bill relating to the release of prisoners for good conduct was read a third time and passed to be engrossed. Prisoners, Release of.

Sent down for concurrence.

The Senate bill concerning sentences to the Massachusetts Reformatory and the terms of imprisonment therein was read a third time and passed to be engrossed. Massachusetts Reformatory.

Sent down for concurrence.

The House bills

In relation to the sale of goods at auction ;

To change the name of the South Pocasset Cemetery Association ;

To amend the charter of the city of New Bedford in relation to its overseers of the poor ; and

To prevent the sale of impure ice, were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence. Bills.

Plymouth,
Town of.

The House bill to authorize the town of Plymouth to obtain an additional supply of water and to issue notes, bonds or scrip for that purpose was read a third time as heretofore amended and passed to be engrossed in concurrence with the amendment, which was sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Francis J.
Cordis.

The Senate resolve to confirm the title to the homestead estate of Francis T. Cordis of Longmeadow, in the county of Hampden, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Taunton Lunatic
Hospital.

The Senate resolve to authorize the trustees of the State Lunatic Hospital at Taunton to exchange certain lands was read a third time, amended on motion of Mr. Reed and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Thomas
McGovern.

The Senate resolve to confirm the acts of Thomas McGovern as a justice of the peace was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Reports.

The Senate reports

Of the committee on Railroads, on the Annual Report of the Railroad Commissioners; and

On the petition of the Boston and Lowell Railroad Corporation for power to complete its location in Concord; and

Of the committee on Street Railways, on the petition of Thomas H. Bacon and others for incorporation as the California Cable Railroad Company; and

On the order relative to amending the general laws concerning operation of street railways by electricity, were severally accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Reports.

The House reports

Of the committee on Education, on the petition of C. C. Coffin and others for the enactment of a law to provide for the election of a school committee upon separate ballots;

On an order relative to the election of school committees on a separate ballot, and also for their election in cities by districts ;

On so much of the Governor's Address as relates to public schools ; and

On an order relative to further legislation concerning the regulation, management and requirements of the public schools ; and

Of the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, on the report of the trustees of the Westborough Insane Hospital, were severally accepted in concurrence.

Adjourned.

THURSDAY, June 10, 1886.

Met according to adjournment.

Mr. Jefts, from the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, on the order relative to legislation giving authority to overseers of the poor and masters of almshouses over insane paupers in certain cases ; also so much of the Seventh Annual Report of the State Board of Health, Lunacy and Charity as relates to the care of the insane, reported a bill concerning the commitment and detention of insane persons ;

Mr. Jefts, from the committee on the Liquor Law, on an order relative to amending section twenty-one of chapter one hundred of the Public Statutes so as to make the persons furnishing liquor amenable in cases of death caused by intoxication, reported a bill relating to liability for damage resulting from the sale of intoxicating liquors ;

Mr. Gove, from the committee on Harbors and Public Lands, on the petition of the mayor and others of Salem, reported a bill to authorize the city of Salem to take certain tide-water lands for streets and for the preservation of the public health in said city ; and

Mr. Forbes, from the committee on Education, on the petition of Rodney Wallace and others, reported a bill to incorporate the Trustees of the Murdock Fund, and these bills were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

*Papers from the House.***Bills****Cities, Wards,
precincts, etc.,
of.**

To establish wards, precincts and assessment districts in the cities of the Commonwealth (in a new draft of the Senate bill to establish wards, precincts and assessment districts in the city of Boston for the assessment of taxes for the current year) ;

**Northborough,
Town of.**

Authorizing the town of Northborough to settle with certain inhabitants of said town for damages (on the petition of Nathaniel Randlett) ; and

**Employers, Lia-
bility of.**

To extend and regulate the liability of employers to make compensation for personal injuries suffered by employees in their service (in a new draft) were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Reports.

Reports (that no legislation is necessary)

Of the committee on Fisheries and Game, on the annual report of the Commissioners on Inland Fisheries ;

Of the committee on Public Service, on the annual report of the Civil Service Commissioners ;

Of the committee on Agriculture, on the annual report of the trustees of the Massachusetts Agricultural College ;

On the report of the board of control of the Massachusetts Experiment Station at Amherst ;

On the report of the Cattle Commissioners ; and

On the report of the Cattle Commissioners on contagious diseases among domestic animals ; and

A report of the committee on Railroads, granting leave to withdraw, on the petition of T. C. Weeks, that the Boston and Maine Railroad and the Eastern Railroad Company may be empowered to consolidate, were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow.

**Franklin Coun-
ty, New jail in.**

The Senate bill to provide for the construction of a new jail and house of correction in Franklin County came up passed to be engrossed in concurrence with an amendment, and the bill was placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow on the question of concurrence in the House amendment.

Capital trials.

A bill to repeal sections 21, 22, 23 and 25 of chapter 150 of the Public Statutes relating to capital trials was read and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Resolves**Resolves.**

In favor of William D. Dennis (on the petition of the same) ; and

In favor of the town of Ludlow (on the petition of the same), were severally read and referred to the committee on the Treasury.

Notice was received from the House of Representatives of the rejection by that branch of the Senate bill concerning the revocation of wills by marriage. Wills, Revocation of.

The Senate bill to incorporate the Bradford Water Company came up passed to be engrossed in concurrence with an amendment, and the Senate concurred therein. Bradford Water Co.

Bills Enacted.

The following engrossed bills (the first of which originated in the Senate) passed to be enacted and were laid before the Governor for his approval, to wit: — Bills enacted and to Governor.

To authorize the city of Boston to pay certain claims.

To authorize the Boston and Lowell Railroad Corporation to unite and consolidate with certain railroads now leased or operated by it, to purchase the property, rights and franchises of said railroads, and increase its capital stock therefor.

Relating to sidewalks, crosswalks, common sewers and main drains in the fire district of the town of Great Barrington.

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

The resolve in favor of the town of Russell was considered, the question being on the rejection of the resolve as proposed by the committee on the Treasury, and the same was carried in the negative, and the resolve was read a second time and ordered to a third reading. Russell, Town of.

The bill to incorporate the Berkshire Heights Water Company of Great Barrington was read a third time as heretofore amended, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence with the amendment, which was sent down for concurrence. Berkshire Heights Water Co.

Came up concurred.

The bills

To confirm certain acts done by George T. Knox of San Francisco, in the State of California, as commissioner for Massachusetts; and Bills.

To incorporate the National Mortgage and Debenture

Company of Boston, were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Marblehead,
Town of.

The Senate bill to supply the town of Marblehead with water, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.
Sent down for concurrence.

Bills.

The House bills

To provide for a union railroad passenger station between Charles River and Causeway Street in the city of Boston ;
To authorize the city of Malden to issue additional water fund bonds ;

To create the Bennington Monument Fund ; and

Concerning the Massachusetts School for the Feeble-Minded, were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Cities, General
laws and char-
ter for.

The House resolve for the appointment of a commission to consider and report to the General Court general laws and form of charter for the government of cities was refused a third reading.

Onset Street
Railway.

The bill to incorporate the Onset Street Railway Company was considered, and the Senate concurred in the House amendment therein.

Cambridge, City
of.

The House bill to authorize the repayment of a certain sum of money by the city of Cambridge to the Fitchburg Railroad Company and for other purposes was read a third time, amended in the title and passed to be engrossed in concurrence with the amendment, which was sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Boston, City of.

The Senate report of the committee on Cities, on the order relative to abolishing the common council of the city of Boston, and of making the city council to consist only of one board of one member from each ward and seven members at large, etc., was accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Board of Edu-
cation, Report
of.

The House report of the committee on Education, on so much of the Forty-ninth Annual Report of the Board of Education as relates to the superintendence of schools was accepted in concurrence.

Adjourned.

FRIDAY, June 11, 1886.

Met according to adjournment.

On motion of Mr. Nourse, a roll call of the Senate was had, and the following named Senators were present and answered to their names, to wit : —

Messrs. Alger,	Boynton,	Douglas,
Forbes,	Gunn,	Jones, E. D. G.,
Joyner,	Kendricken,	Nourse,
Pillsbury,	Reed. — 11.	

ABSENT.

Messrs. Bigelow,	Cogswell,	Dunbar,
Emerson,	Gleason,	Gould,
Gove,	Harlow,	Hayes,
Howard,	Howland,	Jefferson,
Jefts,	Jones, F. W.,	Joslin,
Lilley,	Locke,	McGahey,
Milliken,	Morrill,	Morse,
Murphy,	Naphen,	Norris,
Phillips,	Scott,	Tappan,
Walker,	Wilbur. — 29.	

On motion of Mr. Nourse, it was ordered that the Sergeant-at-Arms is directed to bring in absentees.

Mr. Reed, from the committee on Probate and Insolvency, on an order in relation to the subject, reported a bill to amend section 93 of chapter 157 of the Public Statutes relating to matters avoiding discharge in insolvency, and the same was read and ordered to a second reading.

Insolvency, Discharges in.

Mr. Douglas, from the committee on the Treasury, on the

Senate bills

Placing telegraph and telephone corporations under State supervision and inspection; and

Telegraph and telephone companies.

To establish an asylum for inebriates in the eastern part of the Commonwealth; and the

Inebriates, Asylum for.

House resolve in favor of the town of Ludlow; and

Ludlow, Town of.

Mr. Morrill, from the same committee, on the

Senate resolves

Relating to a portrait of Lieutenant-Governor William Dummer; and

Lieut.-Gov. Wm. Dummer.

Edward C.
Hawkes.
William D.
Dennis.

In favor of Edward C. Hawkes ; and the House resolve in favor of William D. Dennis, reported that these bills and resolves severally ought to pass, and they were ordered to a second reading.

Cities and
towns, Sinking
funds of.

Mr. Wilbur, from the committee on Cities, on the order relative to enabling cities and towns to apply their existing sinking funds towards the liquidation of their funded debts and to issue their bonds for the funding and payment of the remainder of said debts for a period not exceeding by twenty years the limit already provided by law, reported that it is inexpedient to legislate, and the report was read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow.

Papers from the House.

Reports.

Reports

That no legislation is necessary, of the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, on the annual report of the trustees of the State Almshouse at Tewksbury ; and

On the annual report of the Danvers Lunatic Hospital, were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow.

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

Muskeget and
Gravelly Isl-
ands.

The bill to annex Muskeget Island and Gravelly Islands to Nantucket County was passed over.

Milk, Inspection
of.

The bill in relation to the inspection of milk was read a third time and ordered to be placed in the Orders of the Day for Tuesday next.

State House.

The Senate resolve providing for repairs and improvements in the State House was read a third time, and being reported in a new draft entitled a resolve providing for repairs and improvements in and furniture for the State House and Commonwealth Building, the same was substituted, read and referred to the committee on the Treasury.

Bills.

The bills

Concerning the commitment and detention of insane persons ;

Relating to liability for damage resulting from the sale of intoxicating liquors ;

To authorize the city of Salem to take certain tide-water lands for streets and for the preservation of the public health in said city ;

To incorporate the Trustees of the Murdock Fund ; and
Authorizing the town of Northborough to settle with certain inhabitants of said town for damages, were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The House bill to establish wards, precincts and assessment districts in the cities of the Commonwealth was read a second time and ordered to a third reading. Subsequently the bill was read a third time, under a suspension of the rules, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence. Cities.

The House bill to extend and regulate the liability of employers to make compensation for personal injuries suffered by employees in their service, was read a second time. Employers, Liability of.

Mr. Douglas moved to substitute a bill therefor, and the subject was ordered to be placed first in the Orders of the Day for Wednesday next.

The Senate resolve in favor of the town of Russell was read a third time and passed to be engrossed. Russell, Town of.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The Senate bill to confirm certain acts done by George T. Knox of San Francisco, in the State of California, as commissioner for Massachusetts, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed. George T. Knox.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The House bill to incorporate the National Mortgage and Debenture Company of Boston, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence. National Mortgage and Debenture Co.

The Senate bill to provide for the construction of a new jail and house of correction in Franklin County was considered, the question being on concurring with the House in a certain amendment therein, and the Senate non-concurred and the bill was returned to the House of Representatives. Franklin County, Jail in.

The House reports

Reports.

Of the committee on Fisheries and Game, on the annual report of the Commissioners on Inland Fisheries ;

Of the committee on Public Service, on the annual report of the Civil Service Commissioners ;

Of the committee on Agriculture, on the annual report of the trustees of the Massachusetts Agricultural College ;

On the report of the board of control of the Massachusetts Experiment Station at Amherst ;

On the report of the Cattle Commissioners ; and

On the report of the Cattle Commissioners on contagious diseases among domestic animals ; and

Of the committee on Railroads, on the petition of T. C. Weeks, that the Boston and Maine Railroad and the Eastern Railroad Company may be empowered to consolidate, were severally accepted in concurrence.

State House.

Mr. Morrill, from the committee on the Treasury, on the Senate resolve providing for repairs and improvements in and furniture for the State House, reported that the same ought to pass, and the resolve was read twice under a suspension of the rule and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Adjourned.

MONDAY, June 14, 1886.

Met according to adjournment.

American Bell
Telephone
Company.

Mr. Lilley, from the committee on the Judiciary, on the House bill limiting the American Bell Telephone Company in holding stock in certain corporations, reported that the same ought to pass and it was ordered to a second reading.

State Library.

Mr. Nourse, from the committee on the Library, on the report of the librarian of the State Library, reported that no further legislation is necessary thereon ;

New England
Commercial
Travellers' As-
sociation.

Mr. Walker, from the committee on Insurance, on the petition of the New England Commercial Travellers' Association for authority to accumulate a reserve fund, reported that the same be referred to the next General Court ; and

Prisons.

Mr. F. W. Jones, from the committee on Prisons, presented a report on the order to ascertain the kinds and

total amount of clothing, boots, shoes, tinware, woodenware, furniture, etc., that are annually used in the several State and county institutions, and report thereon to the legislature, and these reports were severally read and ordered to be placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow.

A report of the Commission appointed under chapter 266 of the Acts of the year 1883 to take charge of the sewerage of the State Normal School at Bridgewater, to devise and carry out some method for purifying and preventing the sewage from becoming a nuisance or polluting the streams of the Commonwealth, was laid before the Senate and referred to the committee on Expenditures.

State Normal
School at
Bridgewater.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Papers from the House.

A bill in relation to the inspection and sale of imitation butter (on an order relating to the sale of imitation butter), was read and ordered to a second reading.

Imitation butter.

A report of the committee of Conference, on the matters of difference between the two branches on the Senate bill to establish the salaries of the standing justice and clerk of the police court of Lowell, that section 2 should be amended so as to read: "The standing justice of the police court of Lowell shall receive an annual salary of two thousand three hundred dollars"; and

Lowell, Police
court of.

Reports (that no legislation is necessary),

Of the committee on Education, on the annual report of the Board of Education; and

Of the committee on Public Health, on the supplement of the sixth annual report of the State Board of Health, Lunacy and Charity, were severally read and ordered to be placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow.

Bills Enacted and Resolves Passed.

The following engrossed bills (the first two of which originated in the Senate) passed to be enacted, to wit: —

Bills enacted
and to Gov.
ernor.

To provide for the establishment of a school for truants and absentees from school in the county of Suffolk.

To incorporate the Onset Street Railway Company.

To enable the town of Everett to raise money by taxation to extend its water works.

In further addition to an Act making appropriations for expenses authorized the present year, and for certain other expenses authorized by law.

To permit a defendant in an action at law to require adverse parties claiming funds in his hands to interplead.

To annex a part of the town of Salisbury to the town of Amesbury.

Resolves
passed, etc.

The following engrossed resolves (the first of which originated in the Senate) passed, and, with the above-named bills, were laid before the Governor for his approval, to wit:—

Granting aid to the town of Lee.

Providing for the printing of copies of a portion of the seventeenth report of the Bureau of Statistics of Labor.

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

Muskeget and
Gravelly Islands.

The House bill to annex Muskeget Island and Gravelly Islands to Nantucket County was further considered, the question being on its rejection, which was determined as follows, to wit:—

YEAS.—Messrs. Boynton,	Cogswell,	Dunbar,
Forbes,	Gleason,	Gove,
Joslin,	Joyner,	Lilley,
Milliken,	Norris,	Walker,
Wilbur.—13.		

NAYS.—Messrs. Alger,	Bigelow,	Douglas,
Emerson,	Gould,	Gunn,
Hayes,	Howard,	Howland,
Jefferson,	Jefts,	Jones, F. W.,
Kendricken,	Locke,	McGahey,
Morse,	Murphy,	Nourse,
Phillips,	Reed.—20.	

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Harlow,	Jones, E. D. G.,	Morrill,
Naphen,	Scott,	Tappan.—6.

So the rejection was carried in the negative and the bill read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Bills.

The bills

Placing telegraph and telephone corporations under State supervision and inspection;

To establish an asylum for inebriates in the eastern part of the Commonwealth; and

To amend section 93 of chapter 157 of the Public Statutes relating to matters avoiding discharge in insolvency; and the

Resolves

Resolves.

In favor of Edward C. Hawkes;

Relating to the portrait of Lieutenant-Governor William Dummer;

In favor of the town of Ludlow; and

In favor of William D. Dennis, were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The bill concerning the commitment and detention of insane persons was read a third time and passed over.

The bill relating to liability for damage resulting from the sale of intoxicating liquors, was read a third time and referred to the committee on the Judiciary with instructions to give a hearing.

The Senate bill to authorize the city of Salem to take certain tide-water lands for streets and for the preservation of the public health in said city, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

The Senate bill to incorporate the Trustees of the Murdock Fund, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The House bill authorizing the town of Northborough to settle with certain inhabitants of said town for damages, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

The Senate report of the committee on Cities, on the order relative to enabling cities and towns to apply their existing sinking funds towards the liquidation of their funded debts and to issue their bonds for the funding and payment of the remainder of said debts for a period not exceeding by twenty years the limit already provided by law, was accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Reports.

The House reports

Of the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, on the annual report of the trustees of the State Almshouse at Tewksbury; and

On the annual report of the Danvers Lunatic Hospital, were severally accepted in concurrence.

Adjourned.

TUESDAY, June 15, 1886.

Met according to adjournment.

Mr. Norris, of the Cape District, in the chair.

**Prisoners,
Labor of.**

Mr. F. W. Jones, from the committee on Prisons, on an order relative to abolishing the contract convict system of labor in the penal institutions of the Commonwealth, reported a bill relating to the labor of the prisoners in the State prison, reformatories and houses of correction, and the same was read and referred to the committee on the Treasury.

**Acton, Town of,
veterans of.**

Mr. Joyner, from the committee on Claims, on the petition of Delette H. Hall and others, reported a resolve in favor of unpaid veterans of the town of Acton, and the same was read and referred to the committee on the Treasury.

**Telegraph and
telephone com-
panies.**

Petitions were presented and placed on file as follows :

By Mr. Forbes, a petition of John C. Hammond and others ;

By Mr. Morse, a petition of F. E. White and others ; and

By Mr. Douglas, a petition of J. P. Lewis & Co., severally, that telegraph and telephone companies may be placed under the control of the Board of Railroad Commissioners.

Papers from the House.

**American and
Mexican Pacific
Railroad Co.**

A bill to change the corporate name of the American and Mexican Pacific Railroad Company (on the petition of the same), was read and ordered to a second reading.

A bill to authorize the Governor and Council to employ counsel to assist in the defence of actions brought to recover national bank taxes paid to a city or town (in part, on so much of the Governor's address as relates to fugitives from justice, to indeterminate sentences, and to national bank taxes), was read and referred to the committee on the Treasury. National bank taxes.

A resolution in relation to the petitions of Cyrus W. Field and others, relating to the sale by the State of certain bonds of the New York and New England Railroad Company (substituted by the House of Representatives for the report of the committee on Claims, on the said petitions), was read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow. Cyrus W. Field et als.

A report of the committee on Military Affairs on the condition of the State arsenal and camp ground at South Framingham, in accordance with the provisions of section 89 of chapter 14 of the Public Statutes, was read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow. State arsenal, etc.

The Senate bill providing for the disposition of unclaimed moneys paid into the treasury of the Commonwealth by receivers of certain insolvent corporations, came up, passed to be engrossed in concurrence with an amendment, and the Senate concurred therein. Unclaimed moneys.

The House bill authorizing the town of Scituate to pay certain soldiers came up, endorsed as follows: The House concurs in the Senate amendment with an amendment striking out the words "bounties to" and inserting in place thereof the words "the claims of," and the Senate concurred therein. Scituate, Town of.

Bills Enacted.

The following engrossed bills (the first two of which originated in the Senate) passed to be enacted, to wit: — Bills enacted.

In relation to the schedules required to be furnished by an insolvent debtor to the messenger.

To confirm the proceedings of the last annual meeting of the Lee fire district.

To create the Bennington monument fund.

To authorize the city of Malden to issue additional water fund bonds.

Giving preference, in appointments to office, to honorably discharged soldiers and sailors, without civil service examinations.

In relation to the sale of goods at auction.

To prevent the sale of impure ice.

To change the name of the South Pocasset Cemetery Association.

To provide for a union railroad passenger station between Charles River and Causeway Street in the city of Boston.

For the better protection of forests from fires.

To establish the office of auditor in towns.

To establish wards, precincts and assessment districts in the cities of the Commonwealth.

Intoxicating
liquors.

Mr. Jefts moved to reconsider the vote whereby the Senate yesterday referred to the committee on the Judiciary the Senate bill relating to liability for damage resulting from the sale of intoxicating liquors, and the question on this motion was determined as follows, to wit:—

YEAS. — Messrs. Bigelow,	Boynton,	Forbes,
Gleason,	Gould,	Gunn,
Harlow,	Howland,	Jefts,
Jones, E. D. G.,	Joslin,	Morse,
Nourse,	Reed,	Wilbur. — 15.

NAYS. — Messrs. Alger,	Cogswell,	Douglas,
Dunbar,	Emerson,	Hayes,
Howard,	Jones, F. W.,	Kendricken,
Lilley,	Locke,	McGahey,
Milliken,	Morrill,	Murphy,
Phillips,	Walker. — 17.	

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Gove,	Jefferson,	Joyner,
Naphen.	Scott,	Tappan. — 6.

[Mr. Norris in the chair.]

So the Senate refused to reconsider the vote.

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

Milk, Inspe-
ction of.

The House bill in relation to the inspection of milk was further considered. Mr. Harlow moved to strike out section two as heretofore adopted by the Senate, and to insert a new section in the place thereof, and without further action thereon the bill was passed over.

The Senate bill concerning the commitment and detention of insane persons was further considered, amended on motion of Mr. Kendricken, and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The House bill in relation to the inspection and sale of imitation butter was read a second time. Mr. Milliken moved to amend the bill (as printed) as follows: In section 1, line 4 and in line 22, after the word "agents," insert the word "knowingly." Also, in section 2, line 4, after the word "possession," insert the word "knowingly"; and the question on this motion was determined as follows, to wit:—

YEAS.—Messrs. Alger,
Gove,
Kendricken,
Milliken,
Tappan.—13.

Boynton,
Jones, F. W.,
Locke,
Phillips,

Dunbar,
Joyner,
McGahey,
Scott,

NAYS.—Messrs. Bigelow,
Gleason,
Jefferson,
Joslin,
Murphy,

Emerson,
Gunn,
Jefts,
Morrill,
Reed,

Forbes,
Howland,
Jones, E. D. G.,
Morse,
Wilbur.—15.

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING

Messrs. Douglas,
Naphen.—4.

Hayes,

Howard,

[Mr. Norris in the chair.]

PAIRED.—Mr. Walker (yea) with Mr. Gould (nay). Mr. Cogswell (yea) with Mr. Nourse (nay). Mr. Lilley (yea) with Mr. Harlow (nay).—6.

So the motion was lost.

The same Senator moved to amend in section 2, line 11, by inserting after the word "manner," the words "with intent to deceive," and the question on this motion was determined as follows, to wit:—

YEAS.—Messrs. Alger,
Gove,
Kendricken,
Milliken,
Scott,

Boynton,
Jones, F. W.,
Locke,
Phillips,
Tappan.—14.

Dunbar,
Joyner,
McGahey,
Reed,

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YAYS.—Messrs Bigelow, Emerson, Forbes,
 Gleason, Gunn Howland,
 Jefferson, Jeffs, Jones, E. D. G.,
 Joslin, Morrill, Morse,
 Murphy, Wilbur.—14.

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Douglas, Hayes, Howard,
 Naphen.—4

[Mr. Norris in the chair.]

PAIRED.—Mr. Walker (yea) with Mr. Gould (nay). Mr. Lilley (yea) with Mr. Harlow (nay). Mr. Cogswell (yea) with Mr. Nourse (nay).—6.

So the motion was carried in the negative.

The bill was then amended, on motion of Mr. Scott, by inserting in section 2, line 8, after the word “whoever,” the words “with intent to deceive.” Also, on motion of Mr. Morse, by striking out section 6; and the bill as amended was ordered to a third reading.

Insolvency, Dis-
charges in.

The Senate bill to amend section 93 of chapter 157 of the Public Statutes relating to matters avoiding discharge in insolvency, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Edward C.
Hawkes.

The Senate resolve in favor of Edward C. Hawkes was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Lieut.-Gov.
Wm. Dummer.

The Senate resolve relating to a portrait of Lieutenant-Governor William Dummer was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

William D.
Dennis.

The House resolve in favor of William D. Dennis was read a third time, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

State Library.

The Senate report of the committee on the Library, on the report of the librarian of the State Library, was accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The Senate report of the committee on Insurance, on the petition of the New England Commercial Travellers' Association for authority to accumulate a reserve fund, was accepted.

New England
Commercial
Travellers'
Association.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The report of the committee on Prisons, on the order to ascertain the kinds and total amount of clothing, boots, shoes, tinware, woodenware, furniture, etc., that are annually used in the several State and county institutions, and report thereon to the legislature, was accepted.

State and county
institutions.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The House report of the committee of Conference, on the matters of difference between the two branches on the Senate bill to establish the salaries of the standing justice and clerk of the police court of Lowell, viz., that section 2 should be amended so as to read, "The standing justice of the police court of Lowell shall receive an annual salary of two thousand three hundred dollars," was accepted in concurrence.

Lowell, Police
court of.

The House reports

Reports.

Of the committee on Education, on the annual report of the Board of Education; and

Of the committee on Public Health, on the Supplement of the Sixth Annual Report of the State Board of Health, Lunacy and Charity, were severally accepted in concurrence.

Adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, June 16, 1886.

Met according to adjournment.

The following bills having passed their final stage were laid before the Governor for his approval, to wit:—

Enacted bills to
Governor.

In relation to the schedules required to be furnished by an insolvent debtor to the messenger.

To confirm the proceedings of the last annual meeting of the Lee Fire District.

To create the Bennington Monument Fund.

To authorize the city of Malden to issue additional water fund bonds.

Giving preference, in appointments to office, to honorably discharged soldiers and sailors without civil service examinations.

In relation to the sale of goods at auction.

To prevent the sale of impure ice.

To change the name of the South Pocasset Cemetery Association.

To provide for a union railroad passenger station between Charles River and Causeway Street in the city of Boston.

For the better protection of forests from fires.

To establish the office of auditor in towns.

To establish wards, precincts and assessment districts in the cities of the Commonwealth.

Senatorial Districts.

Mr. Dunbar, from the joint special committee to Redistrict the Commonwealth into councillor and senatorial districts and to make a new apportionment of representatives to the several counties for the ensuing ten years, reported a bill to divide the Commonwealth into forty districts for the choice of senators, and the same was read and ordered to a second reading.

District Court.

Mr. Joyner, from the joint committee on the Judiciary, to whom was referred the bill to provide a clerk for the District Court of Southern Berkshire, introduced on leave, reported that the same ought to pass, and it was ordered to a second reading.

Petitions were presented and placed on file, as follows : —

Telegraph and telephone companies.

By Mr. Morrill, petitions of Merrimac Hat Company and others; John J. Currier and others; and Newell Boyd and others;

By Mr. Walker, petitions of A. L. Williston and others; and J. L. Otis and others;

By Mr. Gleason, petition of E. C. Southworth and others; and

By Mr. Douglas, petition of Loring & Howard and others, severally that telegraph and telephone companies may be placed under the control of the Board of Railroad Commissioners.

*Papers from the House.***Bills**

To establish a system of sewage disposal for the city of Worcester, City of Worcester (on the report of the commission appointed to consider a general system of drainage for the valleys of the Mystic, Blackstone and Charles Rivers); and

To discontinue the asylum for the insane at Ipswich (on an order relative to separating the insane from the criminal in the county institutions at Ipswich), were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

A resolve confirming the acts of Matthew Dolan as a justice of the peace, was read and ordered to a second reading, under a suspension of Senate Rule, No 24.

A report of the committee on Water Supply, granting leave to withdraw, on the petition of the mayor of Boston, for authority to take water from the Shawsheen River for an additional water supply for said city; and

A report of the committee on Public Service, that it is inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to exempting all honorably discharged veterans of the late war from competitive civil service examinations, were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow.

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

The House bill to extend and regulate the liability of employers to make compensation for personal injuries suffered by employees in their service, was further considered. Mr. Joyner moved to amend section 3 (printed bill), lines 17, 18 and 19, by striking out the words "the provisions of section three of chapter seventy-four of the Public Statutes shall not apply to this act," and the question on the motion was determined as follows, to wit:—

YEAS. — Messrs. Alger,
Forbes,
Kendricken,
Murphy,
Walker. — 13.

Douglas,
Jones, F. W.,
Lilley,
Phillips,

Emerson,
Joyner,
McGahey,
Reed,

NAYS. — Messrs. Bigelow
Gould,
Jefferson,
Joslin,
Morse,
Tappan

Boynton,
Gove,
Jefts,
Milliken,
Norris,
Wilbur. — 17.

Cogswell,
Gunn,
Jones, E. D. G.,
Morrill,
Nourse,

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Messrs. Dunbar,	Gleason,	Harlow,
Hayes,	Howland,	Locke,
Naphen. — 7.		

PAIRED. — Mr Howard (yea) with Mr. Scott (nay).

So the amendment was lost.

The question then being on the substitution of the bill proposed by Mr. Douglas, it was determined as follows, to wit : —

YEAS. — Messrs. Alger,	Douglas,	Emerson,
Howard,	Jones, F. W.,	Joyner,
Kendricken,	Lilley,	Locke,
McGahey,	Murphy. — 11.	
NAYS. — Messrs. Bigelow,	Boynton,	Cogswell,
Dunbar,	Forbes,	Gleason,
Gould,	Gove,	Gunn,
Howland,	Jefferson,	Jefts,
Jones, E. D. G.,	Joslin,	Milliken,
Morrill,	Morse,	Norris,
Nourse,	Phillips,	Reed,
Tappan,	Walker,	Wilbur. — 24.

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Harlow,	Hayes,	Naphen,
Scott. — 4.		

So the substitute was rejected.

Mr. Kendricken thereupon moved to reconsider the vote by which the Senate refused to adopt the amendment proposed by Mr. Joyner, and the motion was carried in the affirmative. The question then recurring on the adoption of the amendment, viz., to strike out from section 3, lines 17, 18 and 19, the words "the provisions of section three of chapter seventy-four of the Public Statutes shall not apply to this act," it was determined as follows, to wit : —

YEAS. — Messrs. Alger,	Bigelow,	Cogswell,
Douglas,	Emerson,	Forbes,
Gleason,	Jones, E. D. G.,	Jones, F. W.,
Joslin,	Joyner,	Kendricken,
Lilley,	McGahey,	Murphy,
Naphen,	Phillips,	Reed,
Walker. — 19.		

NAYS. — Messrs. Boynton,	Gould,	Gove,
Gunn,	Jefferson,	Jefts,
Locke,	Milliken,	Morrill,
Norris,	Nourse,	Tappan,
Wilbur. — 13.		

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Dunbar,	Harlow,	Hayes,
Howland,	Morse. — 5.	

PAIRED. — Mr. Howard (yea) with Mr. Scott (nay).

So the amendment was adopted.

The question then being on ordering the bill to a third reading, it was determined as follows, to wit : —

YEAS. — Messrs. Alger,	Cogswell,	Douglas,
Dunbar,	Emerson,	Forbes,
Howard,	Jones, E. D. G.,	Jones, F. W.,
Joslin,	Joyner,	Kendricken,
Lilley,	McGahey,	Murphy,
Naphen,	Phillips,	Reed. — 18.

NAYS. — Messrs. Bigelow,	Boynton,	Gould,
Gove,	Gunn,	Jefferson,
Jefts,	Locke,	Milliken,
Norris,	Nourse,	Tappan,
Wilbur. — 13.		

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Gleason,	Harlow,	Hayes,
Howland,	Morrill,	Morse,
Scott,	Walker. — 8.	

So the bill was ordered to a third reading.

The bill concerning sales of land by cities and towns Sales for taxes. for taxes was read a third time ; the committee on Bills in the Third Reading having proposed certain amendments, the bill was passed over, and the amendments ordered to be printed.

The bill in relation to the inspection of milk Milk, Inspection of. was further considered, amended as proposed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading and by Mr. Harlow, also, on motion of Mr. Murphy, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence with the amendments, which were sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

American and
Mexican Pacific
Railroad Co.

The bill to change the corporate name of the American and Mexican Pacific Railroad Company was read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

State arsenal.

The House report of the committee on Military Affairs, on the condition of the State arsenal and camp ground at South Framingham, in accordance with the provisions of section 89 of chapter 14 of the Public Statutes, was accepted in concurrence.

American Bell
Telephone
Company.

The bill limiting the American Bell Telephone Company in holding stock in certain corporations was read a second time, Mr. Alger proposed an amendment therein, and without further action thereon the Senate

Adjourned.

FRIDAY, June 18, 1886.

Met according to adjournment.

Lord's day.

Mr. Joyner, from the committee on the Judiciary, on the petitions of Henry W. Holland and others and Josiah Quincy and others, reported a bill to amend chapter 98 of the Public Statutes relating to fraud committed and sales of property on the Lord's day, and the same was read and ordered to a second reading.

The following order offered by Mr. Norris was laid over on the objection of Mr. Scott:—

Senate, Sessions
of.

Ordered, That on and after Tuesday, June 22, the Senate, until otherwise ordered, shall meet at eleven o'clock A. M., except on Mondays and Saturdays, and whenever the Senate is in session at quarter before one o'clock P. M., the President shall declare a recess until two o'clock P. M.

The Orders of the Day were taken up. The unfinished business of yesterday, viz.:

American Bell
Telephone
Company.

The House bill limiting the American Bell Telephone Company in holding stock in certain corporations was further considered, the amendment proposed by Mr. Alger was rejected, and the bill ordered to a third reading.

The House bill concerning sales of land by cities and towns for taxes was further considered, amended as proposed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence with the amendment, which was sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The House bill to annex Muskeget Island and Gravelly Islands to Nantucket County was read a third time. Mr. Norris moved to refer the same to the next General Court, and the question on this motion was determined as follows, to wit:—

YEAS. — Messrs. Alger,	Boynton,	Cogswell,
Dunbar,	Emerson,	Forbes,
Gove,	Harlow,	Jones, E. D. G.,
Joslin,	Joyner,	Lilley,
Milliken,	Morrill,	Morse,
Naphen,	Norris,	Nourse,
Scott,	Walker. — 20.	

NAYS. — Messrs. Douglas,	Gunn,	Howard,
Howland,	Jefts,	Kendricken,
Locke,	McGahey,	Murphy. — 9.

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Bigelow,	Gleason,	Hayes,
Phillips. — 4.		

PAIRED. — Mr. Jefferson (yea) with Mr. Gould (nay). Mr. Wilbur (yea) with Mr. Jones, F. W. (nay). Mr. Tappan (yea) with Mr. Reed (nay). — 6.

So the motion was carried in the affirmative, and the bill accordingly referred to the next General Court.

The Senate bill placing telegraph and telephone corporations under State supervision and inspection was read a third time, amended on motion of Mr. Forbes, and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

The Senate bill to establish an asylum for inebriates in the eastern part of the Commonwealth was read a third time, amended on motion of Mr. Cogswell, and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

The House resolve in favor of the town of Ludlow was read a third time, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Imitation butter.

The House bill in relation to the inspection and sale of imitation butter was read a third time as heretofore amended, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence with the amendment, which was sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Cyrus W. Field
et als.

The House resolution in relation to the petitions of Cyrus W. Field and others relating to the sale by the State of certain bonds of the New York and New England Railroad Company was considered. Mr. Joyner moved to substitute for the resolution the report of the committee on Claims, as printed in House document, No. 438, and the question on this motion was determined as follows, to wit:—

YEAS.—Messrs. Joyner, Naphen.—2.

YEAS.—Messrs. Boynton,	Cogswell,	Douglas,
Dunbar,	Emerson,	Forbes,
Gleason,	Gould,	Gove,
Gunn,	Harlow,	Howard,
Howland,	Jefts,	Jones, E. D. G.,
Kendricken,	Lilley,	Locke,
McGahey,	Milliken,	Morrill,
Morse,	Murphy,	Norris,
Nourse,	Reed,	Scott,
Walker,	Wilbur.—29.	

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Hayes,	Jefferson,	Jones, F. W.,
Joslin,	Phillips,	Tappan.—6.

PAIRED.—Mr. Alger (yea) with Mr. Bigelow (nay).—2.

So the motion was carried in the negative.

The question then recurring on the adoption of the resolution, Mr. Joyner proposed certain amendments therein which were rejected, and the question on the adoption of the resolution was determined as follows, to wit:—

YEAS.—Messrs. Boynton,	Cogswell,	Douglas,
Dunbar,	Emerson,	Forbes,
Gleason,	Gould,	Gove,
Gunn,	Harlow,	Howard,
Jefts,	Jones, E. D. G.,	Joslin,
Kendricken,	Lilley,	Milliken,
Morse,	Murphy,	Norris,
Nourse,	Reed,	Scott,
Walker,	Wilbur.—26.	

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NAYS. — (None.)

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Alger,	Bigelow,	Hayes,
Howland,	Jefferson,	Jones, F. W.,
Joyner,	Locke,	McGahey,
Morrill,	Naphen,	Phillips,
Tappan. — 13.		

So the resolution was adopted in concurrence.

The bills

Bills.

To provide a clerk for the District Court of Southern Berkshire ;

To discontinue the asylum for the insane at Ipswich ;
and

The resolve confirming the acts of Matthew Dolan as a justice of the peace, were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Matthew Dolan.

The House bill to change the corporate name of the American and Mexican Pacific Railroad Company, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

American and Mexican Pacific Railroad Co.

The House reports

Reports.

Of the committee on Water Supply, on the petition of the mayor of Boston for authority to take water from the Shawsheen River for an additional water supply for said city ; and

Of the committee on Public Service, on an order relative to exempting all honorably discharged veterans of the late war from competitive civil service examinations, were severally accepted in concurrence.

Bills Enacted.

The following engrossed bills (the first of which originated in the Senate) passed to be enacted and were laid before the Governor for his approval, to wit : —

Bills enacted and to Governor.

To supply the town of Cottage City with pure water.

Concerning the Massachusetts School for the Feeble-Minded.

Adjourned.

MONDAY, June 21, 1886.

Met according to adjournment.

Ludlow, Town
of.

Mr. Joslin moved to reconsider the vote by which the House resolve in favor of the town of Ludlow passed to be engrossed ; and

Telegraph and
telephone cor-
porations.

Mr. Norris moved to reconsider the vote by which the Senate bill placing telegraph and telephone corporations under state supervision and inspection passed to be engrossed, and these motions were severally placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow.

County prisons.

On motion of Mr. Jones of Essex the motion to reconsider the vote by which the Senate rejected the bill in relation to the appointment of physicians and chaplains of county prisons was taken from the table and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow.

Street railway
companies.

Mr. Lilley, from the committee on Street Railways, on the petition of the Massachusetts Cable Construction Company, reported a bill to authorize street railway companies to use the cable system as a motive power ; and

Newton Street
Railway Co.

Mr. Wilbur, from the same committee, on the petition of H. B. Parker, a bill to incorporate the Newton Street Railway Company, and these bills were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow.

Embezzlement.

Mr. Lilley, from the committee on the Judiciary, to whom was referred the House bill providing for the punishment of embezzlement of property of voluntary associations ; and

National bank
taxes.

Mr. Douglas, from the committee on the Treasury, to whom was referred the House bill to authorize the Governor and Council to employ counsel to assist in the defence of actions brought to recover national bank taxes paid to a city or town, reported that these bills severally ought to pass and they were ordered to a second reading.

Petition presented and referred : —

John H. Payne
et als.

By Mr. Hayes, a petition of John H. Payne and others for legislation relative to the retention of Forest

Avenue Station on the New York and New England Railroad, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule, to the committee on Railroads.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Order Adopted.

On motion of Mr. Lilley, —

Ordered, That the Journal of the Senate for the present session, from its commencement to and including April 15th, be authenticated and attested by the Assistant Clerk of that date. Senate Journal.

Mr. Scott, from the committee on Water Supply, on the petition of D. W. Holden and others, taken from the files of last year, and the order relative to a general law for the incorporation of water supply companies, reported the following order: — D. W. Holden
et als.

Ordered, That there be appointed a joint special committee, to consist of three members on the part of the Senate with such as the House of Representatives may join, to sit during the recess, hear such evidence as may be submitted after public notice, and consider what legislation is advisable to enable cities and towns to supply water to their inhabitants, and relative to the incorporation of water companies. Also to consider the expediency of the appointment of a state board of water commissioners, and legislation relative to the regulation, management and supervision of aqueduct and water companies, and the supply of water by cities and towns. Said committee shall report fully in print to the legislature, at its next annual session, the results of their investigations, together with their recommendations relating thereto.

Said committee shall be provided with a place for their hearings by the sergeant-at-arms, who shall also furnish all necessary stationery and postage; shall be allowed a stenographer, if found necessary by the committee; and they shall be paid such compensation as shall be determined by the Governor and Council.

And the report was read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow.

Papers from the House.

Winthrop Electric Street Railway Company.

A bill to authorize the incorporation of the Winthrop Electric Street Railway Company, on the petition of John A. Enos and others, was read and ordered to a second reading.

Public schools.

A resolve authorizing the State Board of Education to investigate the subject and methods relative to establishing a half-mill fund for the support of public schools (on an order in relation to the subject), was read and referred to the committee on the Treasury.

Franklin County Jail.

The Senate bill to provide for the construction of a new jail and house of correction in Franklin County came up. The House recedes from its amendment.

Public Charitable Institutions.

A report of the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, that no further legislation is necessary, on so much of the Governor's address as relates to the public charitable institutions, was accepted in concurrence under a suspension of the rule.

Bills Enacted and Resolves Passed.

Bills enacted and to Governor.

The following engrossed bills (the first four of which originated in the Senate) passed to be enacted, to wit: —

To authorize a loan for the construction of public parks in or near the city of Boston.

Relating to licenses to plant, grow and dig oysters, and extending the time in which oysters may be taken.

To provide for the preservation of the public health in the town of Nantucket.

To establish the salaries of the justice and clerk of the police court of Lowell.

To incorporate the National Mortgage and Debenture Company of Boston.

Concerning the punishment for rape.

To incorporate the Berkshire Heights Water Company of Great Barrington.

To authorize the repayment of a certain sum of money by the city of Cambridge to the Fitchburg Railroad Company.

Authorizing the town of Northborough to settle with certain inhabitants of said town for damages.

Authorizing the town of Scituate to pay the claims of certain soldiers.

To authorize the town of Plymouth to obtain an additional supply of water and to issue notes, bonds or scrip for that purpose.

Providing for the disposition of unclaimed moneys paid into the treasury of the Commonwealth by receivers of certain insolvent corporations.

The following engrossed resolves (the first three of which originated in the Senate) passed, and, with the above-mentioned bills, were laid before the Governor for his approval, to wit: —

To authorize the trustees of the State Lunatic Hospital at Taunton to exchange certain lands.

To confirm the title of the homestead estate of Francis T. Cordis of Longmeadow, in the county of Hampden.

To confirm the acts of Thomas McGovern as a justice of the peace.

In favor of William D. Dennis.

The order laid over from Friday, that on and after Tuesday, June 22, the Senate, until otherwise ordered, shall meet at eleven o'clock A. M., except on Mondays and Saturdays, and whenever the Senate is in session at quarter before one o'clock P. M., the President shall declare a recess until two o'clock P. M., was considered, amended on motions of Messrs. Cogswell and Norris; and the question being on the adoption of the order, Mr. Lilley moved that the order be laid on the table; and the question on the motion was determined as follows, to wit: —

YEAS. — Messrs. Cogswell,	Douglas,	Emerson,
Gould,	Harlow,	Howard,
Jones, F. W.,	Kendricken,	Lilley,
Locke,	McGahey,	Murphy,
Scott. — 13.		

NAYS. — Messrs. Alger,	Bigelow,	Boynton,
Gleason,	Hayes,	Howland,
Jefferson,	Jefts,	Joslin,
Milliken,	Morse,	Norris,
Nourse,	Phillips,	Reed,
Wilbur. — 16.		

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Dunbar,	Forbes,	Gove,
Gunn,	Jones, E. D. G.,	Joyner,
Morrill,	Naphen,	Tappan,
Walker. — 10.		

So the motion was lost.

The question then recurring on the adoption of the order, it was determined as follows, to wit : —

YEAS. — Messrs. Alger,	Bigelow,	Boynton,
Forbes,	Gleason,	Hayes,
Howland,	Jefferson,	Jefts,
Joslin,	Milliken,	Morrill,
Morse,	Norris,	Nourse,
Phillips,	Reed,	Wilbur. — 18.

NAYS. — Messrs. Cogswell,	Douglas,	Emerson,
Gould,	Harlow,	Howard,
Jones, F. W.,	Kendricken,	Lilley,
Locke,	McGahey,	Murphy,
Scott. — 13.		

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Dunbar,	Gove,	Gunn,
Jones, E. D. G.,	Joyner,	Naphen,
Tappan,	Walker. — 8.	

So the order was adopted.

The order as adopted is as follows : —

Ordered, That on and after Wednesday, June 23, the Senate, until otherwise ordered, shall meet at eleven o'clock A. M., except on Mondays and Saturdays, and whenever the Senate is in session at quarter before one o'clock P. M., the President shall declare a recess until two o'clock P. M. ; and that hereafter each session of the Senate shall be deemed a legislative day.

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

Senatorial districts.

The Senate bill to divide the Commonwealth into forty districts for the choice of senators, was read a second time. Mr. Murphy moved that the further consideration of the bill be postponed until to-morrow, and the question on this motion was determined as follows, to wit : —

YEAS. — Messrs. Alger,	Bigelow,	Cogswell,
Douglas,	Emerson,	Harlow,
Hayes,	Howard,	Howland,
Jones, F. W.,	Joslin,	Kendricken,
Lilley,	Locke,	McGahey,
Murphy,	Scott. — 17.	

NAYS. — Messrs. Boynton,	Forbes,	Gould,
Jefferson,	Jefts,	Milliken,
Morrill,	Morse,	Norris,
Nourse,	Phillips,	Reed,
Wilbur. — 13.		

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Dunbar,	Gleason,	Gove,
Gunn,	Jones, E. D. G.,	Joyner,
Naphen,	Tappan,	Walker.—9.

So the motion was carried in the affirmative, and the bill postponed until to-morrow.

The House bill to establish a system of sewage disposal for the city of Worcester, was read a second time. ^{Worcester, City of.} Mr. Jefferson moved that the bill be referred to the next General Court, and the question on this motion was determined as follows, to wit:—

YEAS.—Messrs. Bigelow,	Boynton,	Cogswell,
Howland,	Jefferson,	Locke,
McGahey,	Morrill,	Reed,
Tappan.—10.		

NAYS.—Messrs. Alger,	Douglas,	Emerson,
Forbes,	Gleason,	Gould,
Harlow,	Hayes,	Howard,
Jefts,	Jones, F. W.,	Joslin,
Kendricken,	Milliken,	Morse,
Norris,	Nourse,	Scott,
Wilbur.—19.		

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Dunbar,	Gove,	Gunn,
Jones, E. D. G.,	Joyner,	Lilley,
Murphy,	Naphen,	Phillips,
Walker.—10.		

So the motion was carried in the negative.

The question then being on ordering the bill to a third reading the same was determined as follows, to wit:—

YEAS.—Messrs. Alger,	Boynton,	Cogswell,
Douglas,	Emerson,	Forbes,
Gleason,	Gould,	Harlow,
Hayes,	Howard,	Jefts,
Jones, F. W.,	Joslin,	Kendricken,
Milliken,	Morrill,	Morse,
Norris,	Nourse,	Phillips,
Scott,	Tappan,	Wilbur.—24.

NAYS.—Messrs. Bigelow,	Howland,	Jefferson,
Locke,	McGahey,	Reed.—6.

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Dunbar,	Gove,	Gunn,
Jones, E. D. G.,	Joyner,	Lilley,
Murphy,	Naphen,	Walker.—9.

So the bill was ordered to a third reading.

**Employers,
Liability of.**

The bill to extend and regulate the liability of employers to make compensation for personal injuries suffered by employees in their service, was read a third time. The committee on Bills in the Third Reading reported that the bill should be amended, and then would be correctly drawn. Mr. Norris moved certain amendments, and, without further action thereon, the bill was passed over.

Lord's day.

The bill to amend chapter 98 of the Public Statutes relating to fraud committed and sales of property on the Lord's day, was read a second time and passed over.

District court.

The Senate bill to provide a clerk for the District Court of Southern Berkshire, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Matthew Dolan.

The House resolve confirming the acts of Matthew Dolan as a justice of the peace, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

**American Bell
Telephone
Company.**

The House bill limiting the American Bell Telephone Company in holding stock in certain corporations, was read a third time. Mr. Boynton moved to amend in section 1, line 7, by inserting the words "doing business in this State," and the question on the motion was determined as follows, to wit:—

YEAS. —Messrs. Boynton, Milliken,	Gould, Tappan,	Jefferson, Wilbur.—6.
NAYS. —Messrs. Cogswell, Jefts, Lilley, Morrill,	Gleason, Joslin, Locke, Murphy,	Howard, Kendricken, McGahey, Scott.—12.

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Bigelow, Forbes, Hayes, Jones, F. W., Norris.—13.	Douglas, Gove, Howland, Joyner,	Dunbar, Gunn, Jones, E. D. G., Naphen,
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PAIRED.—Mr. Morse (yea) with Mr. Harlow (nay). Mr. Alger (yea) with Mr. Walker (nay). Mr. Emerson (yea) with Mr. Nourse (nay). Mr. Phillips (yea) with Mr. Reed (nay).—8.

So the motion was lost. Mr. Phillips moved to amend the bill, but, without further action thereon, the Senate

Adjourned.

TUESDAY, June 22, 1886.

Met according to adjournment.

Mr. Scott, from the committee on Water Supply, on ^{Mansfield.} the petition of Wm. Graves and others, reported a bill to supply the village of Mansfield with water, and the same was read and ordered to a second reading.

Mr. Walker, from the committee on Insurance, on an ^{Insurance laws.} order relating to the subject, reported a resolve providing for a revision and codification of the existing laws relative to insurance, and the same was read and referred to the committee on the Treasury.

Mr. Lilley, from the committee on the Judiciary, on an ^{Superior court.} order relative to providing an additional term of the superior court for Middlesex County for criminal business, to be held at Lowell, reported that it is inexpedient to legislate thereon, and the report was read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule.

Mr. Norris, from the committee on Railroads, on so ^{New York and New England Railroad.} much of the Governor's Address as relates to the New York and New England Railroad, reported that no legislation is necessary thereon, and the report was read and accepted under a suspension of the rule.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Papers from the House.

Bills

Concerning the keeping of bloodhounds (on an order ^{Bills.} in relation to the subject);

In relation to gas companies (on the annual report of the Gas Commission);

Relating to the right of the Marblehead Water Company to enter upon and dig up the public ways of the city of Lynn (on the petition of the mayor of Lynn); and a

Resolve.

Resolve providing for a new index of the Public Statutes (in a new draft of the Senate resolve), were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Reports.

Reports, that it is inexpedient to legislate,

Of the committee on Insurance, on an order relative to requiring insurance companies to deal directly with their patrons when and where it is desired ; and

Of the committee on Taxation, on an order relative to amending chapter 13 of the Public Statutes, so as to provide a discriminating basis of taxation for certain corporations, were severally read and ordered to be placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow.

Bills.

Bills

Relating to indigent and neglected children ; and

In relation to procuring unlawful or fraudulent decrees of divorce, were severally read and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Bills

Providing for the compensation of members of the legislature (on an order in relation to the subject) ; and

To provide for the better accommodation of the departments and offices of the State Government in the city of Boston (on orders relating to the subject), were severally read and referred to the committee on the Treasury.

Salem, City of.

The Senate bill to authorize the city of Salem to take certain tide-water lands for streets, and for the preservation of the public health in said city, came up passed to be engrossed in concurrence with an amendment, and the Senate concurred therein.

**Insolvency,
Discharges in.**

The Senate bill to amend section 93 of chapter 157 of the Public Statutes relating to matters avoiding discharge in insolvency, came up passed to be engrossed in concurrence with an amendment, and the Senate concurred therein.

**Massachusetts
Reformatory.**

The Senate bill concerning sentences to the Massachusetts Reformatory and the terms of imprisonment therein, came up passed to be engrossed in concurrence with an amendment, and the Senate concurred therein.

The Senate bill to supply the town of Marblehead with water, came up passed to be engrossed in concurrence in certain amendments, and the Senate concurred therein.

Marblehead,
Town of.

The following communication was read and placed on file : —

DEPARTMENT OF STATE, WASHINGTON, June 8, 1886.

Edward A. McLaughlin, Esquire, Clerk of the House of Representatives of the Legislature of Massachusetts, Boston, Massachusetts:

SIR, — I beg to acknowledge your letter of the 14th instant, communicating to this department, in accordance with their terms, a copy of the resolutions lately adopted by the House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts in relation to the seizure of American fishing vessels by the Canadian authorities. These resolutions shall be duly placed on the files of the department. The subject to which they relate has been for some time solicitously considered by the Executive Department of this Government, and I believe I am justified in saying that the interests and rights of American citizens engaged in fishing have been diligently cared for, and that no opportunity has been omitted to secure their ample vindication under existing laws and treaty stipulations. I am, sir, your obedient servant,

American fish-
ing vessels.

T. F. BAYARD.

Bills Enacted and Resolve Passed.

The following engrossed bills (the first five of which originated in the Senate) passed to be enacted, to wit : —

Bills enacted
and to Gov-
ernor.

To incorporate the Bradford Water Company.

To amend the charter of the city of New Bedford in relation to its overseers of the poor.

Relating to the tenure of office of teachers.

To confirm certain acts done by George T. Knox of San Francisco, in the State of California, as Commissioner for Massachusetts.

To incorporate the "Trustees of the Murdock Fund."

To change the name of the American and Mexican Pacific Railroad Company.

The following engrossed resolve (which originated in the Senate) passed, and, with the above-named bills, was laid before the Governor for his approval, to wit : —

Resolves
passed, etc.

Relating to a portrait of Lieutenant-Governor William Dummer.

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

Ludlow, Town
of.

The motion to reconsider the vote whereby the Senate passed to be engrossed the resolve in favor of the town of Ludlow was considered, and the question on that motion was determined as follows, to wit:—

YEAS. — Messrs. Boynton,	Forbes,	Gunn,
Harlow,	Howland,	Jefferson,
Jefts,	Joslin,	Milliken,
Morse,	Nourse,	Tappan. — 12.

NAYS. — Messrs. Alger,	Bigelow,	Douglas,
Dunbar,	Emerson,	Gleason,
Gove,	Hayes,	Howard,
Jones, E. D. G.,	Jones, F. W.,	Kendricken,
Lilley,	Locke,	McGahey,
Morrill,	Phillips,	Reed,
Scott,	Walker,	Wilbur. — 21.

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Cogswell,	Gould,	Joyner,
Murphy,	Naphen,	Norris. — 6.

So the Senate refused to reconsider.

Telegraph and
telephone cor-
porations.

The motion to reconsider the vote whereby the Senate passed to be engrossed the bill placing telegraph and telephone corporations under State supervision and inspection was considered, and the question on this motion was determined as follows, to wit:—

YEAS. — Messrs. Alger,	Bigelow,	Boynton,
Emerson,	Gove,	Hayes,
Jefferson,	Kendricken,	McGahey,
Milliken,	Norris,	Tappan,
Wilbur. — 13.		

NAYS. — Messrs. Douglas,	Dunbar,	Forbes,
Gleason,	Gunn,	Harlow,
Jefts,	Jones, F. W.,	Lilley,
Locke,	Morrill,	Morse,
Murphy,	Naphen,	Nourse,
Reed,	Scott. — 17.	

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Gould,	Howard,	Howland,
Jones, E. D. G.,	Joslin,	Joyner,
Walker. — 7.		

PAIRED. — Mr. Phillips (yea) with Mr. Cogswell (nay). — 2.

So the Senate refused to reconsider.

The motion to reconsider the vote by which the Senate County prisons. rejected the bill in relation to the appointment of physicians and chaplains of county prisons was carried in the negative.

The House bill limiting the American Bell Telephone American Bell Telephone Company. Company in holding stock in certain corporations was further considered. The amendment proposed by Mr. Phillips was amended, on motions of Messrs. Dunbar and Lilley, severally, and the question on the adoption of the amendment, as amended, was determined as follows, to wit:—

YEAS. — Messrs. Alger, Dunbar, Gove, Jones, E. D. G., Milliken, Naphen, Tappan,	Bigelow, Emerson, Howland, Joslin, Morse, Norris, Wilbur. — 20.	Boynton, Gould, Jefferson, Kendricken, Murphy, Phillips,
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NAYS. — Messrs. Douglas, Gunn, Howard, Lilley, Morrill, Scott. — 16.	Forbes, Harlow, Jefts, Locke, Nourse,	Gleason, • Hayes, Jones, F. W., McGahey, Reed,
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ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Mr. Joyner. — 1.

PAIRED. — Mr. Walker (yea) with Mr. Cogswell (nay). — 2

So the amendment was adopted, and the bill passed to be engrossed in concurrence with the amendment, which was sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The Senate bill to divide the Commonwealth into forty Senatorial districts. districts for the choice of senators was further considered. Mr. Harlow moved that the further consideration of the bill be postponed until to-morrow, and that the same be placed first in the Orders of the Day.

The question on this motion was determined as follows, to wit:—

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YEAS. — Messrs. Alger,	Bigelow,	Douglas,
Emerson,	Gleason,	Harlow,
Hayes,	Howard,	Howland,
Jones, F. W.,	Kendricken,	Lilley,
Locke,	McGahey,	Murphy,
Naphen. — 16.		

NAYS. — Messrs. Boynton,	Dunbar,	Forbes,
Gould,	Gove,	Gunn,
Jefferson,	Jefts,	Jones, E. D. G.,
Milliken,	Morrill,	Morse,
Norris,	Nourse,	Phillips,
Reed,	Tappan,	Walker,
Wilbur. — 19.		

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Cogswell,	Joslin,	Joyner,
Scott. — 4.		

So the motion was lost.

Mr. Douglas moved to amend section 4 by striking out all after the word “ follows ” in the third line and inserting in place thereof the following : —

The towns of Carver, Duxbury, Halifax, Hanson, Kingston, Lakeville, Marion, Marshfield, Mattapoisett, Middleborough, Pembroke, Plymouth, Plympton, Rochester, Scituate, South Scituate, Wareham, Hingham, Hull and Cohasset shall constitute a district to be known as the first Plymouth district.

The city of Brockton, West Bridgewater, Bridgewater, East Bridgewater, Hanover, Whitman, Abington and Rockland shall constitute a district to be known as the second Plymouth district.

The question on this motion was determined as follows, to wit : —

YEAS. — Messrs. Alger,	Douglas,	Hayes,
Howard,	Jones, F. W.,	Kendricken,
Lilley,	Locke,	McGahey,
Murphy,	Naphen. — 11.	

NAYS. — Messrs. Bigelow,	Boynton,	Dunbar,
Forbes,	Gould,	Gove,
Gunn,	Jefferson,	Jefts,
Jones, E. D. G.,	Joslin,	Milliken,
Morrill,	Morse,	Norris,
Nourse,	Phillips,	Reed,
Tappan,	Walker,	Wilbur. — 21.

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Cogswell,	Emerson,	Gleason,
Harlow,	Joyner,	Scott. — 6.

(Mr. Howland in the chair.)

So the amendment was rejected.

Mr. Howard moved to amend section 3 by striking out, in lines 7 and 8, the words "Berkley and Dighton," and in line 13 by inserting after the word "Westport" the words "Berkley and Dighton," and the question on this motion was determined as follows, to wit:—

YEAS. — Messrs. Alger,	Douglas,	Hayes,
Howard,	Jones, F. W.,	Kendricken,
Lilley,	Locke,	McGahey,
Murphy,	Naphen. — 11.	

NAYS. — Messrs. Bigelow,	Boynton,	Dunbar,
Forbes,	Gleason,	Gould,
Gove,	Gunn,	Jefferson,
Jefts,	Jones, E. D. G.,	Joslin,
Milliken,	Morrill,	Morse,
Norris,	Nourse,	Phillips,
Reed,	Scott,	Tappan,
Walker,	Wilbur. — 23.	

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Cogswell,	Emerson,	Harlow,
Joyner. — 4.		

(Mr. Howland in the chair.)

So the amendment was rejected and the bill ordered to a third reading.

The House bill to extend and regulate the liability of employers to make compensation for personal injuries suffered by employees in their service was further considered, amended as proposed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, and as moved by Mr. Morse, and also in section 2 as proposed by Mr. Norris. Mr. Dunbar moved to amend the motion proposed by Mr. Norris, to strike out section 5, by striking out all of the section except the words "The expression 'employer' includes a body corporate or unincorporate," in lines 10, 11, and 12, and to amend said lines 10, 11, 12, so that they shall read as follows: "The expression 'employer' includes persons, associations and corporations"; and a division of

Employers,
Liability of.

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the motion being called for, the question was first taken on the motion to strike out, as follows, to wit : —

YEAS. — Messrs. Bigelow,	Boynton,	Dunbar,
Gould,	Gove,	Gunn,
Jefferson,	Jefts,	Jones, E. D. G.,
Joslin,	Milliken,	Morrill,
Norris,	Nourse,	Scott. — 15.

NAYS. — Messrs. Alger,	Douglas,	Emerson,
Forbes,	Gleason,	Howard,
Howland,	Kendricken,	Lilley,
McGahey,	Murphy,	Naphen,
Phillips,	Reed,	Walker. — 15.

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Cogswell,	Harlow,	Hayes,
Joyner,	Locke,	Morse,
Tappan. — 7.		

PAIRED. — Mr. Wilbur (yea) with Mr. Jones, F. W. (nay). — 2.

So the motion to strike out was lost.

The question then recurring on amending this section in lines 10, 11 and 12, so that the same shall read “The expression ‘employer’ includes persons, associations and corporations,” the same was adopted. The question then being on striking out section 5 as amended, the same was determined as follows, to wit : —

YEAS. — Messrs. Bigelow,	Boynton,	Dunbar,
Gould,	Gove,	Gunn,
Jefferson,	Jefts,	Jones, E. D. G.,
Milliken,	Morrill,	Norris,
Nourse,	Scott. — 14.	

NAYS. — Messrs. Alger,	Douglas,	Emerson,
Forbes,	Gleason,	Howard,
Howland,	Kendricken,	Lilley,
Locke,	McGahey,	Morse,
Murphy,	Naphen,	Phillips,
Reed,	Walker. — 17.	

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Cogswell,	Harlow,	Hayes,
Joslin,	Joyner,	Tappan. — 6.

PAIRED. — Mr. Wilbur (yea) with Mr. Jones, F. W. (nay). — 2.

So the motion to strike out section 5, as amended, was lost.

The question then being on passing the bill to be engrossed, the same was determined as follows, to wit: —

YEAS. — Messrs. Alger,	Douglas,	Emerson,
Forbes,	Gleason,	Howard,
Howland,	Kendricken,	Lilley,
Locke,	McGahey,	Morse,
Murphy,	Naphen,	Phillips,
Reed,	Walker. — 17.	

NAYS. — Messrs. Bigelow,	Boynton,	Dunbar,
Gould,	Gove,	Gunn,
Jefferson,	Jefts,	Jones, E. D. G.,
Milliken,	Morrill,	Norris,
Nourse,	Scott. — 14.	

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Cogswell,	Harlow,	Hayes,
Joslin,	Joyner,	Tappan. — 6.

PAIRED. — Mr. Jones, F. W. (yea) with Mr. Wilbur (nay). — 2.

So the bill passed to be engrossed in concurrence with the amendments, which were sent down for concurrence.

The bills

To incorporate the Newton Street Railway Company ;
Providing for the punishment of embezzlement of
property of voluntary associations ;

To authorize the Governor and Council to employ
counsel to assist in the defence of actions brought to
recover national bank taxes paid to a city or town ; and

To authorize the incorporation of the Winthrop Elec-
tric Street Railway Company, were severally read a
second time and ordered to a third reading.

Adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, June 23, 1886.

MORNING SESSION.

Met according to adjournment.

Mr. Howland in the chair.

Mr. Morrill, from the committee on the Treasury, to whom was referred the House bill providing for the compensation of members of the legislature, reported asking

General Court,
Compensation
of members.

to be discharged from the further consideration thereof, and the report was accepted, and the bill ordered to a second reading.

Public schools.

The same Senator, from the same committee, on the House resolve authorizing the State Board of Education to investigate the subject and methods relative to establishing a half-mill fund for the support of public schools, reported that the same ought to pass, and the resolve was ordered to a second reading.

State Government.

Mr. Douglas, from the same committee, on the House bill to provide for the better accommodation of the departments and officers of the State Government in the city of Boston, reported that the same ought to pass, and the bill was ordered to a second reading.

Fall River, City of.

Mr. Lilley, from the joint committee on the Judiciary, on the petition of the mayor of Fall River, reported a bill in relation to the water supply of the city of Fall River ; and

Cambridge, City of.

Mr. Scott, from the committee on Water Supply, on the petition of the mayor of Cambridge, reported a bill to authorize the city of Cambridge to construct and maintain a dam across the entrance to Black's Nook in Fresh Pond, and these bills were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Reports.

Mr. Cogswell, from the committee on the Judiciary, on the orders relative to clerks of courts,

And relating to the approval of bonds of sheriffs ; and

Mr. Lilley, from the same committee, on the order relative to amending chapter 162 of the Public Statutes relative to arrest, imprisonment and discharge on mesne process and execution, severally reported that it is inexpedient to legislate thereon ;

Mr. Cogswell, from the same committee, on the petition of Patrick Corr, reported that the petitioner have leave to withdraw ; and

The same senator, from the same committee, on the orders relative to rates of interest for small mortgage loans, and relative to amending chapter 252 of the Acts of the year 1885 relating to the business of making small loans secured by household goods,

And on an order relative to the incorporation of labor

organizations, reported that it is inexpedient to legislate thereon, and these reports were severally read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule.

Mr. Cogswell, from the committee on the Judiciary, on the House bill relating to indigent and neglected children, reported that the same ought to pass, and it was ordered to a second reading.

Mr. Dunbar, from the same committee, on the House order relative to the appointment of a joint special committee to consider what changes are necessary in the judicial system, reported that the same ought to pass, and it was placed in the Orders of the Day for the afternoon session.

Order Adopted.

On motion of Mr. Norris,—

Ordered, That hereafter, until otherwise ordered, there shall be two sessions of the Senate daily, commencing at 11 o'clock A. M. and 2 o'clock P. M., except on Mondays and Saturdays, and whenever the Senate is in session at a quarter before one o'clock P. M. and a quarter before five o'clock P. M. the President shall declare it adjourned.

Sessions of the Senate.

Each session shall constitute a legislative day.

Papers from the House.

A bill establishing the salaries of the clerks in the department of the Treasurer and Receiver-General, was read and referred to the committee on the Treasury.

Treasurer and Receiver-General.

Notice was received of the rejection by the House of Representatives of the following Senate bills:—

Notice of bills rejected by the House of Representatives.

Enlarging the district of the surveyor-general of lumber, establishing the fees of surveyors and defining the special grades of lumber.

Relating to the employment of minors and women in mercantile establishments.

Mr. Dunbar moved to reconsider the vote by which the House bill to extend and regulate the liability of employers to make compensation for personal injuries suffered by employees in their service, yesterday passed to be engrossed, and the motion was ordered to be placed first in the Orders of the Day for the afternoon session.

Employers.

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

Mansfield, Village of.

The bill to supply the village of Mansfield with water ; and

Public Statutes.

The resolve providing for a new index of the Public Statutes, were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Newton Street Railway Company.

The Senate bill to incorporate the Newton Street Railway Company, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Winthrop Electric Street Railway Company.

The House bill to authorize the incorporation of the Winthrop Electric Street Railway Company, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Reports.

The House reports

Of the committee on Insurance, on an order relative to requiring insurance companies to deal directly with their patrons when and where it is desired ; and

Of the committee on Taxation, on an order relative to amending chapter 13 of the Public Statutes, so as to provide a discriminating basis of taxation for certain corporations, were severally accepted in concurrence.

Lord's day.

The Senate bill to amend chapter 98 of the Public Statutes relating to fraud committed and sales of property on the Lord's day, was further considered, and the question on ordering the same to a third reading was determined as follows, to wit : —

YEAS. — Messrs.	Alger,	Cogswell,	Douglas,
	Dunbar,	Forbes,	Gove,
	Howard,	Joyner,	Kendricken,
	Lilley,	Locke,	McGahey,
	Milliken,	Morrill,	Murphy,
	Naphen,	Norris,	Phillips,
	Reed,	Scott. — 20.	
NAYS. — Messrs.	Bigelow,	Boynton,	Emerson,
	Gleason,	Gould,	Gunn,
	Harlow,	Jefferson,	Jefts,
	Jones, E. D. G.,	Joslin,	Morse,
	Nourse,	Tappan,	Wilbur. — 15.

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Hayes, Jones, F. W., Walker. — 3.
(Mr. Howland in the chair.)

So the bill was ordered to a third reading.

The House bill to discontinue the asylum for the insane Ipswich. at Ipswich, was read a third time, and the further consideration thereof postponed until Thursday morning session.

The Senate bill to authorize street railway companies Street railway companies. to use the cable system as a motive power, was read twice, under a suspension of the rule, amended on motion of Mr. Norris, and passed to be engrossed.
Sent down for concurrence.

The House bill to establish a system of sewage disposal Worcester, City of. for the city of Worcester, was read a third time, but, without further action thereon, the Senate

Adjourned.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Met according to adjournment.

Mr. Morrill, from the committee on the Treasury, on the House bill establishing the salaries of the clerks in the department of the Treasurer and Receiver-General, reported that the same ought to pass, and it was ordered to a second reading. Treasurer and Receiver-General.

Mr. Wilbur, from the committee on Cities, on the report Reports. of the Board of Police Commissioners of the city of Boston, reported that no legislation is necessary thereon; and

Mr. Kendrick, from the same committee, on the order relative to dividing the city of Boston into aldermanic districts; and

On the order relative to the amendment of the charter of the city of Boston, reported that it is inexpedient to legislate thereon, and these reports were severally read and accepted under a suspension of the rule.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Notice was received from the House of Representatives Water companies. of the rejection by that branch of the bill relating to the purchase by cities and towns of the franchises and property of water companies.

Bills Enacted and Resolves Passed.

Bills enacted
and to Gov-
ernor.

The following engrossed bills (the first three of which originated in the Senate) passed to be enacted, to wit: —

Concerning the commitment and custody of insane persons.

To provide for the construction of a new jail and house of correction in Franklin County.

To amend section ninety-three of chapter one hundred and fifty-seven of the Public Statutes relating to matters avoiding discharge in insolvency.

In relation to the inspection and sale of imitation butter.

Concerning sales of land by cities and towns for taxes.

In relation to the inspection of milk.

Resolves
passed, etc.

The following engrossed resolves (both of which originated in the House) passed, and, with the above-named bills, were laid before the Governor for his approval, to wit: —

In favor of the town of Ludlow.

Confirming the acts of Matthew Dolan as a justice of the peace.

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

Employers.
Liability of.

The motion to reconsider the vote, whereby the Senate passed to be engrossed the bill to extend and regulate the liability of employers to make compensation for personal injuries suffered by employees in their service was considered, and the question thereon was determined as follows, to wit: —

YEAS. — Messrs.	Bigelow,	Boynton,	Cogswell,
	Dunbar,	Gleason,	Harlow,
	Jefferson,	Jests,	Jones, E. D. G.,
	Joslin,	Joyner,	Milliken,
	Morrill,	Norris,	Nourse,
	Scott,	Tappan,	Wilbur. — 18.
NAYS. — Messrs.	Douglas,	Forbes,	Howard,
	Howland,	Jones, F. W.,	Kendrick,
	Lilley,	McGahey,	Murphy,
	Naphen,	Reed,	Walker. — 12.

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Emerson,	Gould,	Gove,
Hayes,	Locke,	Morse. — 6.

PAIRED. — Mr. Pillsbury (yea) with Mr. Alger (nay). Mr. Gunn (yea) with Mr. Phillips (nay). — 4.

So the reconsideration prevailed.

Mr. Dunbar moved to strike out the following words from section 5 : — “ For the purposes of this act, unless the context otherwise requires, the expression ‘ person who has had the general superintendence of the business of the employer entrusted to him ’ means a person who has charge, control or oversight of the whole or any portion or part of the employer’s workmen, ways, works or machinery, and whose sole or principal duty is that of superintendence, oversight or control, and who is not ordinarily engaged in manual labor. ”

Employers,
Liability of.

Mr. Phillips rose to a point of order, which being stated was that the proposed amendment had been previously considered on the present stage of this bill. The Chair (Mr. Howland) ruled that the point of order was well taken and the amendment was laid aside. Mr. Dunbar thereupon proposed another amendment, which was ruled out by the Chair as being substantially the same as the above.

Mr. Dunbar moved to reconsider the vote whereby the Senate on yesterday rejected the foregoing amendment, and the question on this motion was determined as follows, to wit : —

YEAS. — Messrs. Bigelow,	Boynton,	Dunbar,
Gleason,	Harlow,	Jefferson,
Jefts,	Jones, E. D. G.,	Joslin,
Joyner,	Milliken,	Morrill,
Norris,	Nourse,	Scott,
Tappan,	Wilbur. — 17.	

NAYS. — Messrs. Cogswell,	Douglas,	Emerson,
Forbes,	Howard,	Jones, F. W.,
Kendricken,	Lilley,	Locke,
McGahey,	Murphy,	Naphen,
Reed,	Walker. — 14.	

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Gould,	Gove,	Gunn,
Hayes,	Morse,	Phillips — 6.

(Mr. Howland in the chair.)

PAIRED. — Mr. Pillsbury (yea) with Mr. Alger (nay). — 2.

So the reconsideration was carried in the affirmative.

**Employers,
Liability of.**

The question recurring on the adoption of the amendment, Mr. Joyner moved to strike out therefrom the words "and whose sole or principal duty is that of superintendence, oversight or control, and who is not ordinarily engaged in manual labor."

This motion was rejected, and the question recurring on the adoption of Mr. Dunbar's amendment, it was determined as follows, to wit:—

YEAS.—Messrs. Bigelow,	Boynton,	Dunbar,
Gleason,	Gove,	Harlow,
Jefferson,	Jefts,	Jones, E. D. G.,
Joslin,	Milliken,	Morrill,
Norris,	Nourse,	Scott,
Tappan,	Wilbur.—17.	

NAYS.—Messrs. Cogswell,	Douglas,	Emerson,
Forbes,	Howard,	Howland,
Jones, F. W.,	Kendricken,	Lilley,
Locke,	McGahey,	Morse,
Murphy,	Naphen,	Reed,
Walker.—16.		

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Gould,	Hayes,	Joyner.—3.
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PAIRED.—Mr. Pillsbury (yea) with Mr. Alger (nay). Mr. Gunn (yea) with Mr. Phillips (nay).—4.

So the amendment was adopted.

Mr. Douglas moved to amend section 1, line 15, by inserting after the word "general" the words "or other," and the question on this motion was determined as follows, to wit:—

YEAS.—Messrs. Cogswell,	Douglas,	Emerson,
Howard,	Jones, F. W.,	Kendricken,
Lilley,	McGahey,	Murphy,
Naphen,	Walker.—11.	

NAYS.—Messrs. Bigelow,	Boynton,	Dunbar,
Forbes,	Gleason,	Gove,
Harlow,	Jefferson,	Jefts,
Jones, E. D. G.,	Joslin,	Locke,
Milliken,	Morrill,	Morse,
Norris,	Nourse,	Phillips,
Reed,	Scott,	Tappan,
Wilbur.—22.		

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Employers,
Liability of.

Messrs. Gould, Gunn, Hayes,
Joyner. — 4.

(Mr. Howland in the chair.)

PAIRED. — Mr. Alger (yea) with Mr. Pillsbury (nay). — 2.

So the amendment was lost.

Mr. Murphy moved to amend section 1, line 15, by striking out the word "general," and the question on the same was determined as follows, to wit: —

YEAS. — Messrs. Cogswell,	Douglas,	Emerson,
Howard,	Jones, F. W.,	Kendricken,
Lilley,	McGahey,	Murphy,
Naphen,	Walker. — 11.	

NAYS. — Messrs. Bigelow,	Boynton,	Dunbar,
Forbes,	Gleason,	Gove,
Harlow,	Jefferson,	Jefts,
Jones, E. D. G.,	Joslin,	Locke,
Milliken,	Morrill,	Morse,
Norris,	Nourse,	Phillips,
Reed,	Scott,	Tappan,
Wilbur. — 22.		

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Gould, Gunn, Hayes,
Joyner. — 4.

(Mr. Howland in the chair.)

PAIRED. — Mr. Alger (yea) with Mr. Pillsbury (nay). — 2.

So the amendment was rejected.

The question then being on passing the bill to be engrossed, it was determined as follows, to wit: —

YEAS. — Messrs. Boynton,	Cogswell,	Dunbar,
Emerson,	Forbes,	Gleason,
Gould,	Harlow,	Howland,
Jefts,	Jones, E. D. G.,	Joslin,
Joyner,	Kendricken,	Morrill,
Morse,	Nourse,	Reed,
Scott,	Tappan,	Wilbur. — 21.

NAYS. — Messrs. Alger,	Bigelow,	Douglas,
Gove,	Howard,	Jefferson,
Jones, F. W.,	Lilley,	Locke,
McGahey,	Milliken,	Murphy,
Naphen,	Norris,	Walker. — 15.

Employers,
Liability of.

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Mr. Hayes. — 1.

PAIRED. — Mr. Phillips (yea) with Mr. Gunn (nay). — 2,

So the bill was passed to be engrossed.

The question then being on perfecting the title of the bill, Mr. Lilley moved to strike out the title and insert in place thereof the following: "An Act relating to the liability of employers," and the question on this motion was determined as follows, to wit: —

YEAS. — Messrs. Alger,	Douglas,	Emerson,
Howard,	Jones, F. W.,	Kendricken,
Lilley,	Locke,	McGahey,
Murphy,	Naphe,	Walker. — 12.

NAYS. — Messrs. Bigelow,	Boynton,	Cogswell,
Dunbar,	Forbes,	Gleason,
Gould,	Harlow,	Howland,
Jefferson,	Jefts,	Jones, E. D. G.,
Joslin,	Joyner,	Milliken,
Morrill,	Morse,	Norris,
Nourse,	Phillips,	Reed,
Scott,	Tappan,	Wilbur. — 24.

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Gove, Gunn, Hayes. — 3.

So the motion to amend the title was lost, and the bill having passed to be engrossed in concurrence with the amendments, was sent down for concurrence in the amendments.

Came up concurred.

Children.

The bill relating to indigent and neglected children, was read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Mansfield.

The Senate bill to supply the village of Mansfield with water, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Public Statutes.

The House resolve providing for a new index to the Public Statutes, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

The bill to establish a system of sewage disposal for the city of Worcester, was considered, but without action thereon the Orders of the Day were laid on the table. Worcester, City of.

The bill to divide the Commonwealth into forty districts for the choice of senators, was discharged from the Orders of the Day under a suspension of the rule, and read a third time. Senatorial districts.

Mr. Harlow moved to amend section 8, lines 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, so as to read as follows: "The towns of Bedford, Billerica, Burlington, Melrose, North Reading, Reading, Stoneham, Tewksbury, Wakefield, Wilmington, Winchester and Woburn shall constitute a district to be known as the Sixth Middlesex District."

The question on this motion was determined as follows, to wit:—

YEAS. — Messrs. Alger, Harlow, Lilley, Murphy,	Douglas, Jones, F. W., Locke, Nourse. — 11.	Emerson, Kendricken, McGahey,
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NAYS. — Messrs. Bigelow, Dunbar, Jefferson, Milliken, Norris, Scott, Wilbur. — 19.	Boynton, Forbes, Jones, E. D. G., Morrill, Phillips, Tappan,	Cogswell, Gould, Joslin, Morse, Reed, Walker,
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ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Gleason, Hayes, Joyner,	Gove, Howard, Naphen. — 8.	Gunn, Jefts,
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(Mr. Howland in the chair.)

So the amendment was rejected.

An amendment proposed by Mr. Alger was also rejected. Mr. Joyner proposed certain amendments to the bill, pending the consideration of which the Senate

Adjourned.

THURSDAY, June 24, 1886.

MORNING SESSION.

Met according to adjournment.

Mr. Phillips in the chair.

Reports.

Mr. Dunbar, from the committee on the Judiciary, on an order relative to amending section 16 of chapter 203 of the Public Statutes, relative to stealing in a building, so that it shall include stealing from an express wagon, dray, cab, and other vehicles; also, to amend section 53 of said chapter, relative to unlawfully taking or using of animals, boats and vehicles, so that the offender shall be deemed guilty of simple larceny; and

Mr. Cogswell, from the same committee, on an order relative to providing for a change in the trial of truants and absentees from school, and the keeping of a separate docket for the trial of said cases; and

On an order relative to the commitment of truants and neglected children, reported that it is inexpedient to legislate thereon, and these reports were severally read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule.

Mr. Reed, from the committee on Probate and Insolvency, on the order relative to amending section 15 of chapter 199 of the Public Statutes, by providing that appraisers of estates of deceased persons and persons appointed under legal process for assigning dower or homestead, or making partition of real estate, shall have such compensation for their services as the courts appointing such officers may deem just and reasonable, reported that no further legislation is necessary, and the same was read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule.

Children.

Mr. Cogswell, from the committee on the Judiciary, on the bill in relation to the better protection and care of wives and children, reported that the same ought not to pass, and the bill was rejected, under a suspension of the rule.

Councillor districts.

Mr. Dunbar, from the joint special committee to whom was intrusted the duty of reporting a new division

of the Commonwealth into councillor and senatorial districts, and a new apportionment of representatives to the several counties for the ensuing ten years, reported a bill to divide the Commonwealth into eight districts for the choice of councillors, and the same was read and ordered to a second reading.

Mr. Morrill, from the committee on the Treasury, on the Senate bill relating to the labor of the prisoners in the State prison, reformatories and houses of correction, reported that the same ought not to pass, and the bill was placed in the Orders of the Day for the afternoon session on the question of rejection.

Prisoners,
Labor of.

Mr. Walker, from the committee on the Treasury, on the Senate resolves

In favor of unpaid veterans of the town of Acton; and

Acton.

Providing for a revision and codification of the existing laws relative to insurance, reported that these resolves severally ought to pass, and they were ordered to a second reading.

Insurance laws.

Mr. Cogswell, from the committee on the Judiciary, on the House bill in relation to procuring unlawful or fraudulent decrees of divorce, reported that the same ought to pass, amended by striking out section three of the bill, and the same was ordered to a second reading with the amendment pending.

Divorce, De-
crees of.

The same senator, from the same committee, on the bill relating to arrests in criminal cases, introduced on leave, reported that the same ought to pass in a new draft, and it was read and ordered to a second reading.

Arrests.

The same senator, from the same committee, on the orders relative to the sale and use of opium and in relation to the issuing of search warrants for opium and other articles, etc., reported a bill forbidding the sale and use of opium for certain purposes, and the same was read and ordered to a second reading.

Opium.

The same senator, from the same committee, on an order in relation to amending the statutes so as to provide for the appointment of a fire marshal or fire coroner, reported a bill to establish the office of fire marshal in the city of Boston, and the same was read and ordered to a second reading.

Boston, City of,
fire marshal
in.

Boston Water
Power Co.

Mr. Cogswell, on leave, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule, introduced a resolve concerning certain agreements between the Commonwealth and the Boston Water Power Company in relation to Commonwealth Avenue and certain other streets and passageways on the Back Bay in the city of Boston, and the same was read and Senate Rule No. 21 was suspended.

Sent down for concurrence in the suspension of the 12th Joint Rule.

Came up concurred.

Papers from the House.

District Court.

A bill to amend the act to establish the first district court of Essex County, substituted for the Senate report on the petition of E. C. Butler and others, was read and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Reports.

A report of the committee on Insurance, no legislation necessary, on the annual report of the insurance commissioner; and

A report of the committee on Claims, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Martin Wesson for compensation for breach of a contract for labor of the inmates of the State workhouse at Bridgewater, were severally read and accepted in concurrence, under a suspension of the rule.

Seduction.

The Senate bill to punish the crime of seduction and other acts of unlawful sexual intercourse, came up passed to be engrossed in concurrence with an amendment, and the Senate concurred therein.

Bills rejected
by House.

Notice was received from the House of Representatives of the rejection of the
Senate bills

Providing that justices who receive complaints and issue warrants shall not preside at trials upon such complaints; and

Relating to the release of prisoners for good conduct.

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

Senatorial dis-
tricts.

The unfinished business of yesterday, viz., the bill to divide the Commonwealth into forty districts for the choice of senators, was further considered. The amend-

ments proposed by Messrs. Joyner and Jones of Essex were severally rejected. Mr. Alger moved to reconsider the vote by which the Senate yesterday rejected the amendment offered by him, and the motion was carried in the negative.

The question then being on passing the bill to be engrossed, it was determined as follows, to wit:—

YEAS.—Messrs. Bigelow,	Boynton,	Cogswell,
Dunbar,	Emerson,	Forbes,
Gove,	Gunn,	Jefferson,
Jefts,	Jones, E. D. G.,	Joslin,
Morrill,	Morse,	Norris,
Nourse,	Reed,	Scott,
Tappan,	Walker,	Wilbur.—21.

NAYS.—Messrs. Alger,	Douglas,	Harlow,
Hayes,	Howard,	Howland,
Jones, F. W.,	Kendricken,	Locke,
McGahey,	Murphy.—11.	

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Gleason,	Gould,	Lilley,
Naphe.—4.		

(Mr. Phillips in the chair.)

PAIRED.—Mr. Milliken (yea) with Mr. Joyner (nay).—2.

So the bill was passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The bills

Establishing the salaries of the clerks in the department of the treasurer and receiver-general; Bills.

To authorize the city of Cambridge to construct and maintain a dam across the entrance to Black's Nook in Fresh Pond;

To provide for the better accommodation of the departments and offices of the State Government in the city of Boston; and the

Resolve authorizing the State Board of Education to investigate the subject and methods relative to establishing a half-mill fund for the support of public schools, were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading. Resolve.

The House bill relating to indigent and neglected children, Children. was read a third time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Worcester, City
of.

The bill to establish a system of sewage disposal for the city of Worcester, was further considered. Mr. Jefferson moved that the bill be referred to the next General Court, and the question on this motion was determined as follows, to wit: —

YEAS. — Messrs. Bigelow,	Boynton,	Emerson,
Gove,	Howland,	Jefferson,
Jones, F. W.,	Locke,	McGahey,
Tappan. — 10.		

NAYS. — Messrs. Forbes,	Gleason,	Howard,
Joslin,	Kendricken,	Milliken,
Nourse,	Phillips,	Scott,
Wilbur. — 10.		

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Alger,	Cogswell,	Douglas,
Gould,	Gunn,	Hayes,
Jefts,	Jones, E. D. G.,	Lilley,
Morrill,	Morse,	Naphen,
Norris. — 13.		

PAIRED. — Mr. Reed (yea) with Mr. Harlow (nay). Mr. Walker (yea) with Mr. Dunbar (nay). Mr. Murphy (yea) with Mr. Joyner (nay). — 6.

So the motion was carried in the negative.

The question then being on passing the bill to be engrossed, it was determined as follows, to wit: —

YEAS. — Messrs. Boynton,	Cogswell,	Emerson,
Forbes,	Gleason,	Gove,
Gunn,	Howard,	Jones, E. D. G.,
Joslin,	Kendricken,	Morse,
Milliken,	Morrill,	Norris,
Nourse,	Scott,	Tappan,
Wilbur. — 19.		

NAYS. — Messrs. Bigelow,	Howland,	Jefferson,
Locke,	McGahey. — 5.	

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Alger,	Douglas,	Gould,
Hayes,	Jefts,	Jones, F. W.,
Lilley,	Naphen. — 8.	
(Mr. Phillips in the chair.)		

PAIRED. — Mr. Dunbar (yea) with Mr. Walker (nay). Mr. Joyner (yea) with Mr. Murphy (nay). Mr. Harlow (yea) with Mr. Reed (nay). — 6.

So the bill passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Adjourned.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Met according to adjournment.

Mr. Phillips in the chair.

Mr. Cogswell moved to reconsider the vote by which the House bill to establish a system of sewage disposal for the city of Worcester passed to be engrossed, and the motion was carried in the negative.

Worcester, city
of.

Mr. Cogswell, from the joint committee on the Judiciary, on so much of the Governor's address as relates to national bank taxes; and

National bank
taxes.

Mr. Morrill, from the committee on Expenditures, on the report of the commission appointed under chapter 266 of the Acts of the year 1883 to take charge of the sewerage of the State Normal School at Bridgewater, to devise and carry out some method for purifying and preventing the sewage from becoming a nuisance or polluting the streams of the Commonwealth, severally reported that no legislation is necessary thereon, and the reports were read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule.

State Normal
School at
Bridgewater.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Mr. Cogswell, from the committee on the Judiciary, on the petition of S. E. Tweed and others that the right of the American Bell Telephone Company to take stock in other telephone companies may be limited, reported that the petitioners have leave to withdraw, and the report was read and accepted under a suspension of the rule.

S. E. Tweed
et alia.

Mr. Dunbar, from the same committee, on the House bill repealing sections 21, 22, 23 and 25 of chapter 150 of the Public Statutes, relating to capital trials, reported that the same ought to pass, and it was ordered to a second reading.

Capital trials.

Papers from the House.

The resolve concerning certain agreements between the Commonwealth and the Boston Water Power Company in relation to Commonwealth Avenue and certain other streets and passageways on the Back Bay, in the city of Boston, was returned from the House of Representatives concurred in the suspension of the 12th Joint Rule, and ordered to a second reading.

Boston Water
Company.

Gas companies.

A bill authorizing gas companies to furnish electric light, on the petition of the Newton and Watertown Gas Light Company and the Chelsea Gas Light Company, was read and ordered to a second reading.

The 12th Joint Rule was suspended in concurrence to admit the following order, and it was returned to the House of Representatives : —

President of the United States.

Ordered, That the committee on Finance be authorized to report in any appropriation bill such sum as may be necessary to enable His Excellency the Governor to extend the proper courtesies of the Commonwealth to the President of the United States in case he should visit the State this season.

Street railway companies.

The Senate bill authorizing street railway companies to use the cable system of motive power came up passed to be engrossed in concurrence with certain amendments, and the Senate concurred therein.

Bills Enacted.

Bills enacted and to Governor.

The following engrossed bills (the first three of which originated in the Senate) passed to be enacted, and were laid before the Governor for his approval, to wit : —

Concerning sentences to the Massachusetts Reformatory and the terms of imprisonment therein.

To authorize the city of Salem to take certain tide-water lands for streets and for the preservation of the public health in said city.

To supply the town of Marblehead with water.

Limiting the American Bell Telephone Company in holding stock in certain corporations.

To authorize the incorporation of the Winthrop Electric Street Railway Company.

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

Ipswich Insane Asylum.

The House bill to discontinue the asylum for the insane at Ipswich was further considered, and on motion of Mr. Cogswell referred to the next General Court.

D. W. Holden et al.

The report of the committee on Water Supply, on the petition of D. W. Holden and others, taken from the files of last year, and the order relative to a general law for the incorporation of water supply companies, was rejected.

The House bill concerning the keeping of bloodhounds, Bloodhounds. was read twice, under a suspension of the rule, amended in the title, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence with the amendment, which was sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The House bill in relation to gas companies, was read Gas companies. a second time, amended, and ordered to a third reading.

The House bill relating to the right of the Marblehead Marblehead Water Com-
pany. Water Company to enter upon and dig up the public ways of the city of Lynn, was read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The House bill to authorize the Governor and Council to employ counsel to assist in the defence of actions brought to recover national bank taxes paid to a city or town, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence. National bank
taxes.

The House bill in relation to procuring unlawful or fraudulent decrees of divorce, was read a second time, Divorce. amended as proposed by the committee on the Judiciary, and ordered to a third reading.

The House bill establishing the salaries of the clerks in the department of the Treasurer and Receiver-General, Treasurer and
Receiver-Gen-
eral. was read a third time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Adjourned.

FRIDAY, June 25, 1886.

MORNING SESSION.

Met according to adjournment.

Mr. Norris in the chair.

Mr. Scott moved to reconsider the vote by which the D. W. Holden
et al. Senate yesterday afternoon rejected the report of the committee on Water Supply, on the petition of D. W. Holden and others, taken from the files of last year, and the order relative to a general law for the incorporation of water supply companies, and the motion was carried in the affirmative, and the question recurring on the adoption of the order reported by the committee, the same was adopted and sent down for concurrence.

Telephone companies.

Mr. Morrill, from the committee on the Treasury, on the bill placing telephone companies under State supervision and inspection, reported that the same ought not to pass, and the bill was placed in the Orders of the Day for the afternoon session.

James S. Bush et al.

Mr. Joyner, from the committee on the Judiciary, on the petitions of James S. Bush and others, and Horace Seaver and others, for the amendment of chapter 169 of the Public Statutes so that evidence of disbelief in a God shall not be received to affect the credibility of a witness, reported that the petitions be referred to the next General Court, and the report was read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the afternoon session.

Reports.

Mr. Tappan, from the committee on Prisons, on the Annual Report of the Commissioners of Prisons on the Massachusetts State Prison;

On the report of the Commissioners of Prisons on the county prisons; and

On the report of the Commissioners of Prisons on the Reformatory Prison for Women, reported that no further legislation is necessary thereon, and these reports were severally read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Mr. Lilley, from the committee on the Judiciary, on the order relative to further legislation concerning the disposal of recovered stolen property in the hands of prosecuting officers, reported that it is inexpedient to legislate thereon, and the report was read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule.

Papers from the House.

Reports

Reports.

Of the committee on Claims, granting leave to withdraw, on the petition of George E. Swasey for payment of money due him as a depositor in the Mercantile Savings Institution; and

On the petition of Nelson W. Green for compensation for the use by the Commonwealth of a machine invented by him and known as "the driven well";

Of the committee on Expenditures, that no further legislation is necessary,

On so much of the Governor's address as relates to the finances of the Commonwealth;

On the report of the commissioners on the Topographical Survey and Map of the Commonwealth for the year 1885 ;

On so much of the Governor's Address as relates to the Topographical Survey ; and

Of the committee on the State House, on the condition of the elevators in the State House, were severally accepted in concurrence under a suspension of the rule.

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

The bills

In relation to the water supply of the city of Fall River ; **Bills.**

Relating to arrests in criminal cases without a warrant ;

To establish the office of fire marshal of the city of Boston ; and

The resolves

In favor of unpaid veterans of the town of Acton ; **Resolves.**

Providing for a revision and codification of the existing laws relative to insurance ; and

Concerning certain agreements between the Commonwealth and the Boston Water Power Company in relation to Commonwealth Avenue and certain other streets and passageways on the Back Bay, in the city of Boston, were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The House bill in relation to procuring unlawful or fraudulent decrees of divorce, was read a third time as heretofore amended, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence with the amendment, which was sent down for concurrence. **Divorce.**

Came up concurred.

The House bill providing for the compensation of members of the legislature was read a second time, and the question on ordering the same to a third reading was determined as follows, to wit : — **General Court, Compensation of members.**

YEAS. — Messrs. Bigelow, Hayes, Joyner, Milliken, Norris,	Cogswell, Howard, Lilley, Morrill, Tappan. — 14.	Gove, Jones, F. W., McGahey, Murphy,
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NAYS. — Messrs. Alger, Dunbar, Gleason, Harlow,	Boynton, Emerson, Gould, Jefferson,	Douglas, Forbes, Gunn, Jests,
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Messrs. Jones, E. D. G.,	Joslin,	Locke,
Morse,	Naphen,	Nourse,
Phillips,	Reed,	Scott,
Walker,	Wilbur. — 23.	

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Howland,	Kendricken. — 2.
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So the bill was refused a third reading.

Lord's day.

The Senate bill to amend chapter 98 of the Public Statutes relating to fraud committed and sales of property on the Lord's day, was read a third time, amended on motion of Mr. Joyner, but without further action thereon the Senate

Adjourned.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Met according to adjournment.

Drainage.

Mr. Kendricken, from the committee on Drainage, on the report of a commission appointed to consider a general system of drainage for the valleys of the Mystic, Blackstone and Charles rivers, reported that the further consideration thereof be referred to the next General Court, and the report was read and accepted under a suspension of the rule.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Reports.

Mr. Cogswell, from the committee on the Judiciary, on the order relative to amending chapter 191 of the Public Statutes relative to liens on building material; and

On the order relative to legislation on account of the change in ward lines in the city of Boston affecting the boundaries of congressional districts; reported that it is inexpedient to legislate thereon; and

On the order relative to the courts of the Commonwealth and the practice in said courts; also, on the resolve concerning the officers of the Senate, and the order to investigate in regard to the officers and employees at the State House, reported asking to be discharged from the further consideration thereof, and that the same be referred to the joint special committee to consider what changes are

necessary in the judicial system, and these reports were severally read and accepted under a suspension of the rule.

Bills Enacted and Resolves Passed.

The following engrossed bills (the first three of which originated in the Senate) passed to be enacted, to wit: — Bills enacted and to Gov. ernor.

To incorporate the Konkapot Valley Railroad Company.

To provide a clerk for the district court of southern Berkshire.

To punish the crime of seduction and other acts of unlawful sexual intercourse.

Providing for the punishment of embezzlement of property of voluntary associations.

To authorize the Governor and Council to employ counsel in the defence of actions brought to recover national bank taxes paid to a city or town.

Relating to indigent and neglected children.

To establish a system of sewage disposal for the city of Worcester.

Establishing the salaries of the clerks in the departments of the Treasurer and Receiver-General.

The following engrossed resolves (both of which originated in the Senate) passed, and, with the above-named bills, were laid before the Governor for his approval, to wit: — Resolves passed, etc.

Providing for a new index of the Public Statutes.

In favor of Edward C. Hawkes.

On motion of Mr. Norris, Senate Rule No. 36 was suspended, and the following matters were severally discharged from the Orders of the Day and considered: —

The Senate bill forbidding the sale and use of opium for certain purposes, was read twice, under a suspension of the rule, and passed to be engrossed. Opium.

Sent down for concurrence.

The Senate bill to authorize the city of Cambridge to construct and maintain a dam across the entrance to Black's Nook in Fresh Pond, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed. Cambridge, City of.

Sent down for concurrence.

Judicial system. The House order relative to the appointment of a joint special committee to consider what changes are necessary in the judicial system was considered. Mr. Dunbar moved that the committee named therein consist of three members on the part of the Senate, and the motion was adopted and the order adopted in concurrence.

State government. The House bill to provide for the better accommodation of the departments and offices of the State Government in the city of Boston, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence. Subsequently Mr. Cogswell moved a reconsideration of the vote by which the bill passed to be engrossed and the motion was placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session.

Capital trial. The House bill repealing sections 21, 22, 23 and 25 of chapter 150 of the Public Statutes relating to capital trials, was read twice, under a suspension of the rules, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence,

Gas companies. The House bill authorizing gas companies to furnish electric light, was read a second time and referred to the committee on the Judiciary. Subsequently Mr. Cogswell, from said committee, reported that the bill ought not to pass, and the bill being considered, under a suspension of the rule, was, in accordance with the report of the committee on the Judiciary thereon, rejected.

Ibid. The House bill in relation to gas companies, was read a third time, further amended on motions severally of Messrs. Harlow and Boynton, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence with the amendments, which were sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Marblehead Water Company. The House bill relating to the right of the Marblehead Water Company to enter upon and dig up the public ways of the city of Lynn, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Fall River, City of. The Senate bill in relation to the water supply of the city of Fall River, was read a third time, amended on motion of Mr. Dunbar, and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The Senate bill relating to arrests in criminal cases ^{Arrests.} without a warrant, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

The Senate bill to establish the office of fire marshal ^{Fire marshal.} of the city of Boston, was read a third time and passed over.

The Senate resolve in favor of unpaid veterans of the ^{Acton, Town of.} town of Acton, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The Senate resolve providing for a revision and codification of the existing laws relative to insurance, ^{Insurance.} was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The Senate resolve concerning certain agreements ^{Boston Water Power Company.} between the Commonwealth and the Boston Water Power Company in relation to Commonwealth Avenue and certain other streets and passageways on the Back Bay, in the city of Boston, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The Senate report of the committee on the Judiciary, ^{James S. Bush et al.} on the petitions of Rev. James S. Bush and others, and Horace Seaver and others, for the amendment of chapter 169 of the Public Statutes so that evidence of disbelief in a God shall not be received to affect the credibility of a witness, was accepted.

Mr. Norris moved that when the Senate adjourns this ^{Adjournment.} afternoon it adjourn to meet at half-past seven o'clock this evening, and the question on this motion was determined as follows, to wit: —

YEAS. — Messrs. Bigelow,
Gould,
Jefferson,
Nourse,

Boynton,
Gove,
Morrill,
Reed,

Gleason,
Howland,
Norris,
Wilbur. — 12.

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NAYS. — Messrs. Alger, Emerson, Howard, Joslin, Lilley, Murphy, Tappan,	Cogswell, Harlow, Jefts, Joyner, Locke, Naphen, Walker. — 20.	Douglas, Hayes, Jones, F. W., Kendricken, Morse, Phillips,
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ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Dunbar, Jones, E. D. G., Scott. — 7.	Forbes, McGahey,	Gunn, Milliken,
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So the motion was lost.

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

Lord's day.

The Senate bill to amend chapter 98 of the Public Statutes relating to fraud committed and sales of property on the Lord's day, was further considered, the question being on passing the same to be engrossed, which was determined as follows, to wit: —

YEAS. — Messrs. Alger, Dunbar, Howard, Kendricken, McGahey, Murphy, Phillips,	Cogswell, Gove, Jones, F. W., Lilley, Milliken, Naphen, Reed,	Douglas, Hayes, Joyner, Locke, Morrill, Norris, Walker. — 21.
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NAYS. — Messrs. Bigelow, Gleason, Jefts, Nourse,	Boynton, Gould, Joslin, Tappan,	Emerson, Harlow, Morse, Wilbur. — 12.
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ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Forbes, Jefferson,	Gunn, Jones, E. D. G.,	Howland, Scott. — 6.
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So the bill passed to be engrossed.

The title was then amended, and the bill sent down for concurrence.

Councillor districts.

The Senate bill to divide the Commonwealth into eight districts for the choice of councillors, was read a second time, amended on motion of Mr. Dunbar by striking out section 10, and ordered to a third reading.

Public schools,
Support of.

The House resolve authorizing the State Board of Education to investigate the subject and methods relative to

establishing a half-mill fund for the support of public schools, was read a third time, and the question on passing the same to be engrossed was determined as follows, to wit:—

<p>YEAS.—Messrs. Bigelow, Gleason, Hayes, Joslin, Morrill, Pillsbury,</p>	<p>Dunbar, Gould, Howard, Joyner, Morse, Reed.—17.</p>	<p>Forbes, Harlow, Jefts, Locke, Norris,</p>
<p>NAYS.—Messrs. Alger, Douglas, Howland, Kendricken, Naphen, Wilbur.—16.</p>	<p>Boynton, Emerson, Jefferson, Lilley, Tappan,</p>	<p>Cogswell, Gove, Jones, F. W., Milliken, Walker,</p>

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

<p>Messrs. Gunn, Murphy, Scott.—7.</p>	<p>Jones, E. D. G., Nourse,</p>	<p>McGahey, Phillips,</p>
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So the resolve passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

The Senate bill relating to the labor of the prisoners in the State prison, reformatories and houses of correction, was further considered on the question of rejection, but without action thereon the Senate

Adjourned.

MONDAY, June 28, 1886.

Met according to adjournment.

Mr. Cogswell, from the committee on the Judiciary, to which was referred the bill to enable the Eastern Railroad Company to provide for the reduction of the amount of its indebtedness and to issue second mortgage bonds therefor, reported that the same ought not to pass, and it was placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow morning on the question of rejection.

Mr. Scott presented a petition of the mayors of Chelsea, Somerville and Boston and the selectmen of Everett, and

Eastern Railroad.

Chelsea, Somerville, Boston and Everett.

for legislation ratifying certain contracts, and the same was referred, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule, to the committee on the Judiciary.

Sent down for concurrence in the suspension of the 12th Joint Rule.

Came up concurred.

District court.

Mr. Dunbar, from the committee on the Judiciary, on the Senate bill to amend the act to establish the first district court of Essex County, reported that the same ought not to pass, and the bill being considered, under a suspension of the rule, was rejected.

Taxes, Assessment of.

Mr. Cogswell, from the committee on the Judiciary, on the Senate bill (introduced on leave) to regulate the assessment of taxes, reported that the same ought not to pass, and the bill being considered, under a suspension of the rule, was rejected.

Rules.

Mr. Lilley, from the joint committee on Rules, on the order relative to repealing the Ninth and Twelfth Joint Rules, and of reporting for the use of the General Court a rule requiring written drafts of proposed legislation to be submitted to committees before hearings thereon; and

Telegraph and telephone companies.

Mr. Boynton, from the committee on Mercantile Affairs, on the order relative to placing telegraph and telephone companies under such State supervision as will regulate their business and rates of charge, reported, severally, that it is inexpedient to legislate thereon, and these reports were read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule, and sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Order Adopted.

On motion of Mr. Lilley,

Ordered, That the clerk of the Senate be authorized to distribute by mail, or in such other manner as may be convenient, the "Gifford Memorial" volume, at the expense of the Commonwealth.

Papers from the House.

William Washburn.

Reports of the committee on Claims, reference to the next General Court, on the petition of William Washburn for compensation for services performed as architect upon the State House in the year 1878; and of

The committee on Public Charitable Institutions, that no further legislation is necessary, on the report of the Board of Health, Lunacy and Charity for the year 1885; and

The thirty-second annual report of the trustees of the State Workhouse at Bridgewater; and of

The committee on Harbors and Public Lands, granting leave to withdraw, on the petition of E. G. Brown of Boston for authority to build and maintain a bridge across Swift's Narrows in the town of Wareham, and that no legislation is necessary, on the annual report of the Harbor and Land Commissioners, were severally read and accepted in concurrence, under a suspension of the rule.

The 12th Joint Rule was suspended in concurrence to admit the petition of Albert J. Bamford for a confirmation of certain acts done by him as a justice of the peace, and the petition was returned to the House of Representatives.

The Senate bill to incorporate the Newton Street Railway Company came up passed to be engrossed in concurrence with an amendment, and the Senate concurred therein.

Notice was received from the House of Representatives of the rejection of the Senate bills

Placing telegraph and telephone corporations under State supervision and inspection; and

To amend chapter 98 of the Public Statutes, relating to sales of property made on the Lord's Day.

Bills Enacted.

The following engrossed bills (the first three of which originated in the Senate) passed to be enacted, and were laid before the Governor for his approval, to wit:—

To authorize street railway companies to use the cable system as a motive power.

To supply the village of Mansfield with water.

To divide the Commonwealth into forty districts for the choice of senators.

Relating to the right of the Marblehead Water Company to enter upon and dig up the public ways of the city of Lynn.

Concerning the keeping of dogs known as blood-hounds.

Reports.

Albert J. Bamford.

Newton Street Railway Company.

Notices of rejection.

Bills enacted and to Governor.

Employers, Liability of.

An engrossed bill to extend and regulate the liability of employers to make compensation for personal injuries suffered by employees in their service, being put upon its final passage, the question on passing the same to be enacted was determined as follows, to wit:—

YEAS. —Messrs. Boynton, Forbes, Morse, Reed,	Cogswell, Jones, E. D. G., Nourse, Scott,	Dunbar, Morrill, Phillips, Wilbur. — 12.
NAYS. —Messrs. Alger, Gould, Howard, Kendricken, Milliken, Norris,	Douglas, Gove, Jefts, Lilley, Murphy, Walker. — 17.	Emerson, Gunn, Jones, F. W., Locke, Naphen,

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Bigelow, Hayes, Joslin,	Gleason, Howland, Joyner. — 8.	Harlow, Jefferson,
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PAIRED.—Mr. Tappan (yea) with Mr. McGahey (nay). — 2.

So the bill was rejected.

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

State government.

The motion to reconsider the vote whereby the Senate passed to be engrossed the House bill to provide for the better accommodation of the departments and officers of the State Government in the city of Boston, was considered and carried in the affirmative. The question recurring on passing the bill to be engrossed, Mr. Reed moved to substitute therefor a resolve relating to plans for the better accommodation of the departments and officers of the State Government in the city of Boston, and the same was substituted, amended on motion of Mr. Boynton and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The unfinished business of the last session, viz. :—

Prisoners, Labor of.

The Senate bill relating to the labor of the prisoners in the State prison, reformatories and houses of correction, was further considered, the question being on the rejection of the bill, as proposed by the committee on the Treasury, and the same was determined as follows, to wit:—

YEAS. — Messrs. Boynton, Cogswell, Dunbar,
Forbes, Gould, Gove,
Milliken, Morrill, Norris,
Nourse, Scott, Tappan,
Walker. — 13.

NAYS. — Messrs. Alger, Douglas, Emerson,
Gunn, Howard, Howland,
Jefts, Jones, E. D. G., Jones, F. W.,
Kendricken, Lilley, Locke,
Morse, Murphy, Napphen,
Reed. — 16.

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Bigelow, Gleason, Harlow,
Hayes, Jefferson, Joyner,
McGahey, Phillips. — 8.

PAIRED. — Mr. Wilbur (yea) with Mr. Joslin (nay). — 2.

So the rejection was carried in the negative, and the bill was read a second time, amended on motion of Mr. Jefts, and ordered to a third reading.

The Senate bill to establish the office of fire marshal of the city of Boston, was further considered, amended on motion of Mr. Lilley, and passed to be engrossed.

*Boston, Fire
marshal of.*

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The bill placing telephone companies under State supervision and inspection, was considered, the question being on the rejection of the bill, as proposed by the committee on the Treasury, and the same was carried in the negative, and the bill was read a second time and amended upon motions severally of Messrs. Lilley and Forbes. Mr. Norris rose to a point of order, which being stated was that the bill is not properly before the Senate, the subject matter thereof having already been considered, and the bill was laid aside to await the decision of the Chair.

*Telephone com-
panies.*

The Senate bill to divide the Commonwealth into eight districts for the choice of councillors, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Adjourned.

TUESDAY, June 29, 1886.

MORNING SESSION.

Met according to adjournment.

Roll-call.

Upon motion of Mr. Cogswell, a roll-call of the Senate was had, and the following-named senators were present and answered to their names, to wit:—

Messrs. Alger,	Bigelow,	Boynton,
Cogswell,	Douglas,	Dunbar,
Emerson,	Gunn,	Kendricken,
Locke,	Morrill,	Murphy,
Norris,	Nourse,	Phillips,
Pillsbury,	Reed,	Walker,
Wilbur. — 19.		

ABSENT.

Messrs. Forbes,	Gleason,	Gould,
Gove,	Harlow,	Hayes,
Howard,	Howland,	Jefferson,
Jefts,	Jones, E. D. G.,	Jones, F. W.,
Joslin,	Joyner,	Lilley,
McGahey,	Milliken,	Morse,
Naphen,	Scott,	Tappan. — 21.

Chelsea, Somerville, Boston and Everett.

Mr. Scott, from the committee on the Judiciary, on the petition of the mayors of Chelsea, Somerville and Boston, and the selectmen of Everett, reported a bill to confirm certain agreements for a supply of water between the city of Boston and the cities of Somerville and Chelsea and the town of Everett, and the same was, under a suspension of the rule, read and ordered to a second reading, and subsequently was read twice and placed in the Orders of the Day for the afternoon session, on the question of engrossment.

District court.

Mr. Tappan moved to reconsider the vote by which the Senate yesterday rejected the bill to amend the act to establish the first district court of Essex County, and the motion was placed in the Orders of the Day for the afternoon session.

Papers from the House.

Cambridge, City of.

The Senate bill to authorize the city of Cambridge to construct and maintain a dam across the entrance to Black's Nook in Fresh Pond, came up passed to be en-

grossed in concurrence with an amendment, and the Senate concurred therein.

The bill to enable the city of Gloucester and town of Rockport to sell and convey their town landings, was, under a suspension of the rules, read and ordered to be placed in this morning's calendar, and subsequently was read twice and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Gloucester and
Rockport.

A report of the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, that no further legislation is necessary, on the Annual Report of the Trustees of the School for the Feeble-Minded at South Boston, was read and accepted in concurrence, under a suspension of the rule.

Feeble-minded,
School for.

A bill to apportion and assess a State tax of one million five hundred thousand dollars; and

State tax.

A resolve in favor of the widow of Jesse B. Wheeler, were severally read three times, under a suspension of the rules, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Jesse B.
Wheeler.

A bill providing for the compensation of members of the legislature was read twice, under a suspension of the rules, and the question on ordering the same to a third reading was determined as follows, to wit:—

Legislature,
Pay of mem-
bers.

YEAS.—Messrs. Cogswell,	Hayes,	Howard,
Howland,	Jones, F. W.,	Lilley,
Locke,	Milliken,	Morrill,
Murphy,	Norris,	Tappan.—12.

NAYS.—Messrs. Alger,	Boynton,	Dunbar,
Emerson,	Forbes,	Gleason,
Gunn,	Jefferson,	Jefts,
Jones, E. D. G.,	Joslin,	Kendricken,
Morse,	Nourse,	Phillips,
Scott,	Walker,	Wilbur.—18.

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs Bigelow,	Douglas,	Gould,
Gove,	Harlow,	Joyner,
McGahey,	Naphen,	Reed.—9.

So the bill was refused a third reading.

Mr. Lilley moved a reconsideration of the vote by which the bill was refused a third reading, and the motion was placed in the Orders of the Day for the afternoon session.

Lucretia D.
Durgin.

A resolve in favor of Lucretia D. Durgin, administratrix, was read and ordered to a second reading, under a suspension of the rule.

The following communication was read : —

House of Repre-
sentatives,—
Deputy Clerk
appointed.

HON. ALBERT E. PILLSBURY, *President of the Senate.*

SIR :—I have the honor to inform you that under authority of section 26 of chapter 2 of the Public Statutes, I have appointed Robert A. Southworth of Boston Deputy-Clerk of the House for a period not exceeding three days.

Very respectfully yours,

EDWARD A. McLAUGHLIN,

Clerk House of Representatives.

Bill Enacted and Resolves Passed.

Bills enacted
and to Gov-
ernor.

The following engrossed bill (which originated in the House) passed to be enacted, to wit :—

To repeal sections twenty one, twenty-two, twenty-three and twenty-five of chapter one hundred and fifty of the Public Statutes relating to capital trials.

Resolves
passed, etc.

The following engrossed resolves (the first three of which originated in the Senate) passed, and, with the above-named bill, were laid before the Governor for his approval, to wit :—

Concerning certain agreements between the Commonwealth and the Boston Water Power Company in relation to Commonwealth Avenue and certain other streets and passageways on the Back Bay, in the city of Boston.

Providing for repairs and improvements in, and furniture for, the State House and Commonwealth Building.

In favor of the town of Russell.

Authorizing the State Board of Education to investigate the subject and methods relative to establishing a half-mill fund for the support of public schools.

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

Eastern Rail-
road Company.

The bill to enable the Eastern Railroad Company to provide for the reduction of the amount of its certificates of indebtedness and to issue second mortgage bonds therefor, was considered, the question being on the re-

jection of the bill as proposed by the committee on the Judiciary, and the same was determined as follows, to wit :—

YEAS. — Messrs. Bigelow, Emerson, Howard, Lilley, Naphen, Walker. — 16.	Cogswell, Gleason, Jefferson, Morrill, Nourse,	Douglas, Gunn, Jefts, Morse, Tappan,
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NAYS. — Messrs. Alger, Forbes, Joslin, Phillips, Wilbur. — 13.	Boynton, Gove, Kendricken, Reed,	Dunbar, Jones, F. W., Norris, Scott,
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ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Gould, Howland, Locke, Murphy. — 10.	Harlow, Jones, E. D. G., McGahey,	Hayes, Joyner, Milliken,
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So the bill was rejected.

The Senate bill relating to the labor of the prisoners in the State prison, reformatories and houses of correction, was read a third time. Prisoners,
Labor of.

Mr. Boynton moved to substitute therefor a resolve for an investigation of the subject of prison labor, and the question on this motion was determined as follows, to wit :—

YEAS. — Messrs. Boynton, Forbes, Jefferson, Morrill, Phillips, Tappan,	Cogswell, Gleason, Jefts, Norris, Reed, Walker,	Dunbar, Gove, Milliken, Nourse, Scott, Wilbur. — 18.
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NAYS. — Messrs. Alger, Howard, Jones, F. W., Lilley, Murphy,	Douglas, Howland, Joslin, Locke, Naphen. — 14.	Emerson, Jones, E. D. G., Kendricken, Morse,
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ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Bigelow, Harlow, McGahey. — 7.	Gould, Hayes,	Gunn, Joyner,
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So the resolve was substituted, amended on motion of Mr. Forbes, and read twice, under a suspension of the rules, and the question on ordering the same to a third reading was determined as follows, to wit : —

YEAS. — Messrs. Boynton,	Cogswell,	Dunbar,
Forbes,	Gunn,	Jefferson,
Milliken,	Morrill,	Norris,
Nourse,	Phillips,	Pillsbury,
Scott,	Tappan,	Walker,
Wilbur. — 16.		

NAYS. — Messrs. Alger,	Douglas,	Emerson,
Gleason,	Howard,	Howland,
Jones, E. D. G.,	Jones, F. W.,	Joslin,
Kendricken,	Lilley,	Locke,
Morse,	Murphy,	Naphen. — 15.

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Bigelow,	Gould,	Gove,
Harlow,	Hayes,	Jefts,
Joyner,	McGahey,	Reed. — 9.

So the resolve was ordered to a third reading, read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Adjourned.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Met according to adjournment.

Papers from the House.

Notice of rejection by the House of Representatives.

Notice was received from the House of Representatives of the rejection of the following Senate order : —

Ordered, That there be appointed a joint special committee, to consist of three members on the part of the Senate with such as the House of Representatives may join, to sit during the recess, hear such evidence as may be submitted after public notice, and consider what legislation is advisable to enable cities and towns to supply water to their inhabitants, and relative to the incorporation of water companies. Also to consider the expediency of the appointment of a State board of water commissioners, and legislation relative to the regulation, management and supervision of aqueduct and water companies, and the supply of water by cities and towns.

Said committee shall report fully in print to the legislature, at its next annual session, the results of their investigations, together with their recommendations relating thereto. Said committee shall be provided with a place for their hearings by the sergeant-at-arms, who shall also furnish all necessary stationery and postage; shall be allowed a stenographer, if found necessary by the committee; and they shall be paid such compensation as shall be determined by the Governor and Council;

Also, of the rejection of the following Senate bills:—

Relating to arrests in criminal cases without a warrant.

Forbidding the sale and use of opium for certain purposes.

And that the Senate bill to establish an asylum for inebriates in the eastern part of the Commonwealth had been referred to the next General Court.

A bill to authorize the Woburn Gas Light Company to furnish electric light, was read three times, under a suspension of the rule, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Woburn Gas
Light Co.

A report of the committee on Claims, granting leave to withdraw, on the petition of Brewster, Cobb & Estabrook for indemnification for loss sustained in the sale of the New York & New England Railroad Company's bonds, was read and accepted in concurrence, under a suspension of the rule.

Brewster, Cobb
& Estabrook.

A resolve in addition to a resolve providing accommodations for various new commissions, and additional rooms for other departments, was read three times, under a suspension of the rules, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Commissions
and depart-
ments.

The following resolution from the House was rejected:—

Resolved, That it is the sense of the Senate and House of Representatives that the prorogation of the General Court may be reached by Tuesday, June 29, and that the conduct of business should be with a view to accomplish that end.

Bills Enacted and Resolves Passed.

The following engrossed bills (the first three of which originated in the Senate) passed to be enacted and were laid before the Governor, to wit:—

To authorize the city of Cambridge to construct and maintain a dam across the entrance to Black's Nook in Fresh Pond.

To incorporate the Newton Street Railway Company.

In relation to the water supply of the city of Fall River.

To apportion and assess a State tax of one million five hundred thousand dollars.

In relation to procuring unlawful or fraudulent decrees of divorce.

Boston, Somerville, etc.

On motion of Mr. Scott, the Senate bill to confirm certain agreements for a supply of water between the city of Boston and the cities of Somerville and Chelsea, and the town of Everett, was discharged from the Orders of the Day, under a suspension of Senate Rule No. 36, and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Lucretia D. Durgin.

On motion of Mr. Norris, Senate Rule No. 36 was suspended, and the House resolve in favor of Lucretia D. Durgin, administratrix, was read twice, under a suspension of the rule, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Intoxicating liquors.

Mr. Cogswell, from the committee on the Judiciary, on the Senate bill relating to liability for damage resulting from the sale of intoxicating liquors, reported that the same ought not to pass, and the question on the rejection of the same being considered, under a suspension of the rule, it was determined as follows, to wit: —

YEAS. — Messrs.	Alger,	Cogswell,	Douglas,
	Dunbar,	Gove,	Hayes,
	Howard,	Jones, F. W.,	Kendricken,
	Lilley,	Locke,	McGahey,
	Milliken,	Murphy,	Naphen,
	Phillips,	Walker. — 17.	
NAYS. — Messrs.	Bigelow,	Boynton,	Emerson,
	Forbes,	Gleason,	Gould,
	Gunn,	Jefferson,	Jefts,
	Joslin,	Morse,	Norris,
	Nourse,	Reed,	Tappan,
	Wilbur. — 16.		

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Harlow,	Howland,	Jones, E. D. G.,
Joyner,	Morrill,	Scott. — 6.

So the bill was rejected.

Mr. Jefts moved to reconsider the above vote, and the motion was ordered to be placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session.

Mr. Scott, from the committee on Water Supply, on the order relative to further legislation concerning the regulation, conduct and management of water companies, reported asking to be discharged from the further consideration thereof, and recommending that the same be referred to the joint special committee to consider what changes are necessary in the judicial system, and the report was read and accepted under a suspension of the rule.

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. Scott, from the committee on the Judiciary, on the order relative to further legislation for the better protection of persons and property, reported that it is inexpedient to legislate thereon, and the report was read and accepted, under a suspension of the rules.

The President announced the appointment on the part of the Senate of Messrs. Dunbar of Hampden, Lilley of Middlesex, and Forbes of Worcester, as the committee provided for in the House order relative to the appointment of a joint special committee to consider what changes are necessary in the judicial system of the Commonwealth relating to the lower courts.

Sent down to be joined.

Came up and Messrs. Lord of Plymouth, Doherty of Boston, Lathrop of Springfield, Bartlett of Fairhaven, Fales of Milford, and Bottum of Northampton, are joined.

The bill placing telephone companies under State supervision and inspection was taken up.

The President ruled that the point of order raised by Mr. Norris was not well taken, and the question being on ordering the bill to a third reading, it was determined as follows, to wit :—

YEAS.—Messrs. Cogswell,
Forbes,
Howard,
Locke,
Murphy,
Scott,

Douglas,
Gleason,
Jefts,
Morrill,
Nourse,
Walker.—17.

Dunbar,
Gunn,
Lilley,
Morse,
Reed,

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NAYS. — Messrs. Alger,	Bigelow,	Boynton,
Emerson,	Gould,	Gove,
Hayes.	Jefferson,	Joslin,
McGahey,	Norris,	Phillips,
Tappan,	Wilbur. — 14.	

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Harlow,	Howland,	Jones, E. D. G.,
Jones, F. W.,	Joyner,	Kendricken,
Milliken,	Naphen. — 8.	

So the bill was ordered to a third reading, read a third time, under a suspension of the rule, and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

District court.

The motion to reconsider the vote whereby the Senate rejected the House bill to amend the Act to establish the first district court of Essex County was considered, and the question on the same was determined as follows, to wit: —

YEAS. — Messrs. Alger,	Bigelow,	Boynton,
Emerson,	Gould,	Gove,
Gunn,	Hayes,	Howland,
Jefts,	Joslin,	Kendricken,
Locke,	Milliken,	Morrill,
Morse. — 16.		

NAYS. — Messrs. Douglas,	Forbes,	Gleason,
Howard,	Jones, F. W.,	Lilley,
McGahey,	Murphy,	Norris,
Nourse,	Reed,	Scott,
Walker,	Wilbur. — 14.	

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Cogswell,	Harlow,	Jefferson,
Jones, E. D. G.,	Joyner,	Naphen,
Phillips. — 7.		

PAIRED. — Mr. Tappan (yea) with Mr. Dunbar (nay). — 2.

So the motion to reconsider prevailed.

The question then recurring on the rejection of the same, it was determined as follows, to wit: —

YEAS. — Messrs. Boynton, Douglas, Forbes,
 Gleason, Gove, Howard,
 Jefferson, Jones, F. W., Kendricken,
 Lilley, McGahey, Milliken,
 Murphy, Naphe, Nourse,
 Reed, Scott, Walker,
 Wilbur. — 19.

NAYS. — Messrs Bigelow, Emerson, Gould,
 Gunn, Howland, Jefts,
 Jones, E. D. G., Joslin, Locke,
 Morrill, Morse. — 11.

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Alger, Cogswell, Harlow,
 Hayes, Joyner, Norris,
 Phillips. — 7.

PAIRED. — Mr. Dunbar (yea) with Mr. Tappan (nay). — 2.

So the bill was rejected.

The motion to reconsider the vote whereby the Senate refused to order to a third reading the House bill providing for the compensation of members of the legislature, was considered and carried in the affirmative, and the question recurring on ordering the bill to a third reading it was carried in the affirmative, it was read a third time, and the question on passing the bill to be engrossed was determined as follows, to wit: —

General Court,
 Pay of members
 of.

YEAS. — Messrs. Bigelow, Cogswell, Gove,
 Hayes, Howard, Howland,
 Jones, F. W., Kendricken, Locke,
 McGahey, Milliken, Morrill,
 Murphy, Norris, Tappan. — 15.

NAYS. — Messrs. Boynton, Emerson, Forbes,
 Gleason, Gould, Gunn,
 Jefferson, Jefts, Joslin,
 Morse, Nourse, Phillips,
 Reed, Scott, Walker,
 Wilbur. — 16.

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Alger, Douglas, Harlow,
 Jones, E. D. G., Joyner, Naphe. — 6.

PAIRED. — Mr. Lilley (yea) with Mr. Dunbar (nay). — 2.

So the bill was rejected.

Notice was received from the House of the rejection by that branch of the Senate bill placing telephone companies under State supervision and inspection.

Orders Adopted.

Pay roll. On motion of Mr. Nourse, —
Ordered, That the clerk make up the pay roll of the present session.

Adjournment. On motion of Mr. Cogswell, —
Ordered, That when the Senate adjourns it be to meet at 4.45 P.M.

Adjourned.

EVENING SESSION.

Met according to adjournment.

General Court, Pay of members of. On motion of Mr. Cogswell, the vote by which the Senate rejected the House bill providing for the compensation of members of the legislature was reconsidered, and the question recurring on the engrossment of the bill, the same passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Auditor's department, Second clerk in. Mr. Lilley asked leave to introduce a bill to establish the salary of the second clerk in the department of the Auditor of the Commonwealth, and the same was referred to the next General Court, under the 12th Joint Rule.

Clerk, Resolution of thanks to. The following resolution offered by Mr. Lilley was adopted : —
Resolved, That the thanks of the Senate are due and are hereby extended to its clerk, E. Herbert Clapp, for the courteous and able manner in which he has discharged the duties of his office.

Pay roll. The clerk reported the pay roll, and it was thereupon, on motion of Mr. Morrill,
Ordered, That there be allowed and paid from the treasury of the Commonwealth to the several Senators whose names are borne upon the accompanying roll, the sums set against their respective names, amounting in the aggregate to thirty-one thousand and eighty-one dollars, for attendance and mileage at the present session of the General Court.

Papers from the House.

Notices of rejection by the House of Representatives. Notice was received from the House of Representatives of non-concurrence with the Senate in the discharge of the committee on Water Supply, on the order relative to

further legislation concerning the regulation, conduct and management of water companies, and in the reference of the subject-matter to the joint special committee appointed to consider what changes are necessary in the judicial system.

A resolve to provide for aiding prisoners discharged from the Massachusetts Reformatory, was read three times and passed to be engrossed in concurrence, under a suspension of the rule. Massachusetts Reformatory.

A bill in relation to the station of the New York and New England Railroad in Boston, called Forest Avenue Station, was read three times and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, under a suspension of the rule. New York and New England Railroad.

On motion of Mr. Reed, the Senate adjourned to meet at 11 A. M. to-morrow.

WEDNESDAY, June 30, 1886.

MORNING SESSION.

Met according to adjournment.

Mr. Joslin, from the committee on Claims, on the petition of Levi J. Richardson, reported a resolve in favor of Levi J. Richardson; and the same was read and referred to the committee on the Treasury. Levi J. Richardson.

Mr. Harlow, on leave, under the suspension of the 12th Joint Rule, introduced a resolve relating to the disposition of certain property of the Commonwealth in the possession of the Commission on Drainage; the same was read three times under a suspension of the rules, and passed to be engrossed. Drainage, Commission on.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Papers from the House.

A resolve to confirm the acts of Albert J. Bamford as a justice of the peace, was read three times, under a suspension of the rules, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence. Albert J. Bamford.

*Bills Enacted and Resolves Passed.***Bills enacted.**

The following engrossed bills (the first two of which originated in the Senate) passed to be enacted, to wit:—

To divide the Commonwealth into eight districts for the choice of councillors.

To confirm certain agreements for a supply of water between the city of Boston and the cities of Somerville and Chelsea and the town of Everett.

In relation to gas companies.

In relation to the station of the New York and New England Railroad in Boston, called Forest Avenue Station.

To authorize the Woburn Gas Light Company to furnish electric light.

To enable the city of Gloucester and town of Rockport to sell and convey their town landings.

Providing for the compensation of members of the legislature.

Resolves passed.

The following engrossed resolves (the first two of which originated in the Senate) passed, to wit:—

In favor of unpaid veterans of the town of Acton.

Providing for a revision and codification of the existing laws relative to insurance.

In addition to a resolve providing accommodations for various new commissions and additional rooms for other departments.

To provide for aiding prisoners discharged from the Massachusetts reformatory.

In favor of the widow of the late Jesse B. Wheeler.

In favor of Lucretia D. Durgin, administratrix.

Intoxicating liquors.

The Orders of the Day were taken up and the motion to reconsider the vote by which the Senate rejected the bill relating to liability for damage resulting from the sale of intoxicating liquors, was considered. Mr. Cogswell moved that the motion be indefinitely postponed, and the question on this motion was determined as follows, to wit:—

YEAS. — Messrs. Alger,
Gove,
Jones, F. W.,
Milliken,
Naphen. — 13.

Cogswell,
Hayes,
Kendricken,
Morrill,

Douglas,
Howard,
Lilley,
Murphy,

YAYS. — Messrs. Boynton,
Harlow,
Morse,
Reed,
Gleason,
Jefts,
Norris,
Wilbur. — 11.
Gunn,
Joslin,
Nourse,

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Bigelow,
Gould,
Jones, E. D. G.,
Phillips,
Walker. — 13.
Dunbar,
Howland,
Joyner,
Scott,
Emerson,
Jefferson,
Locke,
Tappan,

PAIRED. — Mr. McGahey (yea) with Mr. Forbes (nay). — 2.

So the motion was carried in the affirmative.

A message was received from the Governor returning, with his objections thereto, the bill in relation to the water supply of the city of Fall River, and the message was read and laid upon the table.

The message is as follows : —

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT, June 30, 1886.

To the Honorable Senate :

Upon such consideration of the bill entitled “ An Act. in relation to the water supply of the city of Fall River ” as I have been able to give, in view of the very general desire of the members of the General Court to bring immediately to a final adjournment the present protracted session, I am unable to give my approval to the measure. I very much regret that the bill could not have been enacted at an earlier date, so that a closer investigation and analysis of its provisions might have been in my power, with the advantage of arguments for and against it from those qualified to present all material considerations thereupon, and that it might have been practicable to discuss the matter fully.

It is proposed to grant to the city of Fall River the right to draw daily from the North Watuppa Pond not exceeding 1,500,000 gallons of water in addition to the amount of water which the city is now authorized to take under the provisions of chapter 133 of the Acts of 1871. Were this all, it would be in harmony with the general scope of the various water acts passed in the current and former years, and I doubt not, be completely justified by the needs of the city for an additional supply of water to meet the wants of a rapidly increasing population. But my attention is challenged by certain unusual and extraordinary provisions which accompany the grant.

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The bill proposes, in terms, to relieve the city from "liability to pay any other damages than the State itself would be legally liable to pay." Perhaps through inadvertence, but in reality, the language excludes all right or claim to damages whatever. All the parties in interest, so far as I can ascertain, are domestic corporations, and they must look to the courts of this Commonwealth for a determination of their rights. It is difficult to discover that the State would under any circumstances be legally liable to pay any sum as damages. Were equitable considerations to prevail, the justice of the General Court might be invoked, as is not unfrequently done with success, but no such relief is possible under the bill as it is framed. Compensation is, therefore, absolutely denied.

Besides, the bill goes still farther in the same direction, as follows: "Parties holding in respect of said pond any privileges or grants heretofore made and liable to revocation or alteration by the State, shall have no claim against said city in respect of water drawn under this grant. Any privileges heretofore enjoyed, in respect of said pond, are, so far as they are inconsistent with this act, hereby annulled."

Let the facts be carefully considered. The Watuppa Reservoir Company was incorporated by the legislature of Massachusetts in 1826 "for the purpose of constructing a reservoir of water in Watuppa Ponds (including the pond in question) for the benefit of the manufacturing establishments on Fall River." The company built and has maintained a dam for said purpose, and owns and manages the same for the benefit of the mill interests below. Large investments of capital followed, great industrial establishments have sprung up, and the development of the city in wealth and population has been promoted. The right of the company to its property was recognized by the General Court in 1871 by the act authorizing the city to take water from said pond upon payment of damages therefor. It is not to be overlooked that the charter to this company was granted before the act of 1831, which reserved the right to alter, amend and repeal subsequent charters, and without any express reservation to that effect in the act. Moreover, certain other corporations own and use valuable water rights and privileges in the stream below the dam, each owning the privilege attached to its mill. The several corporations have accepted the charters, expended large sums of money to secure the full enjoyment of their

privileges, and are in undisputed ownership of their property in full reliance upon their rights secured to them by the contracts between themselves and the State.

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City of.

The opinion of the supreme judicial court in the adjudication of certain cases which arose between these corporations and the said city under the act of 1871 (see *Massachusetts Reports*, vol. 134), is forcibly suggestive of the sound and just doctrine applicable to the questions now in point. The respondent, the city, contended that the State is the absolute owner of a great pond and of the land under it, that it may drain or fill it at pleasure; that the riparian proprietors on a stream which is its outlet have no rights in the waters of the pond; but the court said, "the riparian proprietors on Fall River certainly have water rights as against all the world except the State." Even if the State might, for the benefit of the public in general, divert the waters without making compensation, it is by no means to be asserted that the State can take away valuable rights and privileges from one corporation to give to another, each being of its own creation, and each relying upon the pledge and obligation of good faith on the part of the State. Nor is it sufficient to justify a departure from this salutary rule that the intended recipient is a municipal corporation, because its franchise of water privileges is as much for the special gain and advantage of the city as for the public good, and the property thereby acquired is in no degree shared by the State, but is in its own exclusive ownership as much as the lands and buildings owned by the city as corporate property, and the pecuniary income therefrom is payable solely into the city treasury. The good faith of the State is already solemnly pledged, and the obligations of its contracts are no more to be disregarded than are those of the contracts of other parties. If the power to alter or amend the charters exists, and it undoubtedly does in reference to some of the corporations affected, that power cannot be exercised by taking away the substance of their franchise without adequate return unless the principles which have been heretofore maintained in legislation and in the decisions of the courts, are to be wholly disregarded. The vigorous and healthful language of the supreme judicial court, expressed in 1852, will bear repetition: "It is now the well-settled law of the land that the charter of a private corporation is a contract

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within the meaning of the Constitution of the United States, and that any act of the State legislature which violates any corporate right secured by such charter, without the consent of the corporation, is void as against that constitution. Legislation in violation of chartered rights is not only contrary to the Constitution of the United States, but is at war with the first principles of a just and well-ordered government. It must be presumed that the legislature at all times, and under all circumstances, intends to observe good faith. Laws which are inconsistent with the good faith of the legislature, which impair the good faith of its contracts, and infringe on rights held under its own solemn guaranty, cannot for a moment, upon any consideration, be enforced."

Leaving the Watuppa Reservoir Company entirely out of account, the riparian owners have the right to use the waters in the stream for any legal purpose, provided they do not infringe upon the rights of others or create a public or private nuisance; and their present property is not subject to forfeiture on the ground that an impairment of their rights in the past has been the subject of compensation. Under the act of 1871 the city did not take all the water, and therefore it did not pay for the whole.

It has been urged, I am aware, that the act of 1826 amounted only to a license, and therefore is revocable, without damage, at the pleasure of the State. But such construction is not the plain and natural one, I submit, and the legislature cannot afford to attempt its adoption and enforcement without the sanction of the courts. Besides, even if that were conceded, the rights of the other parties in interest, as has been stated, would not be thereby concluded.

Entertaining the views herein expressed, and apprehending most serious injury to great enterprises that contribute largely to the prosperity of the State if the precedent of this bill be established, I must decline to express my approval, and therefore return the bill herewith to the honorable Senate in which it originated.

GEO. D. ROBINSON.

Subsequently the message was taken from the table and considered, but without action thereon the Senate

Adjourned.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Met according to adjournment.

The Senate resumed the consideration of the unfinished business of the morning session, viz., the bill in relation to the water supply of the city of Fall River, and the question being stated: "Shall the bill pass, the objections of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding," it was determined as follows, to wit:—

YEAS. — Messrs. Alger,	Bigelow,	Cogswell,
Douglas,	Emerson,	Forbes,
Gleason,	Gould,	Gunn,
Hayes,	Howard,	Jefts,
Jones, F. W.,	Kendricken,	Lilley,
Locke,	Milliken,	Morrill,
Morse,	Murphy,	Naphen,
Nourse,	Reed,	Scott. — 24.

NAYS. — Messrs. Boynton, Joslin, Tappan. — 3.

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Dunbar,	Gove,	Howland,
Jefferson,	Jones, E. D. G.,	Joyner,
McGahey,	Norris,	Phillips,
Walker. — 10.		

PAIRED. — Mr. Harlow (yea) with Mr. Wilbur (nay). — 2.

So the bill passed, the objections of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The following bills, having passed their final stage, were laid before the Governor for his approval, to wit:—

To divide the Commonwealth into eight districts for the choice of councillors.

To confirm certain agreements for a supply of water between the city of Boston and the cities of Somerville and Chelsea and the town of Everett.

In relation to gas companies.

In relation to the station of the New York & New England Railroad in Boston called Forest Avenue Station.

To authorize the Woburn Gas Light Company to furnish electric light.

To enable the city of Gloucester and town of Rockport to sell and convey their town landings.

Bills to Gov.
ernor.

Providing for the compensation of members of the legislature.

Resolves to Governor.

Also, the following resolves:—

In addition to a resolve providing accommodations for various new commissions and additional rooms for other departments.

To provide for aiding prisoners discharged from the Massachusetts reformatory.

In favor of the widow of the late Jesse B. Wheeler.

In favor of Lucretia D. Durgin, administratrix.

In favor of unpaid veterans of the town of Acton.

Providing for a revision and codification of the existing laws relative to insurance.

Levi J. Richardson.

Mr. Morrill, from the committee on the Treasury, on the Senate resolve in favor of Levi J. Richardson, reported that the same ought not to pass, and the resolve being considered, under a suspension of the rule, was rejected.

Papers from the House.

State Government, Accommodations for.

The Senate resolve relating to plans for the better accommodations of the departments and the officers of the State Government in the city of Boston came up, having been amended by the House upon its final passage, and the question on concurring with the House in its amendment was determined as follows, to wit;—

YEAS. — Messrs. Alger,	Hayes,	Joslin,
Kendricken,	Wilbur. — 5.	
NAYS. — Messrs. Bigelow,	Cogswell,	Douglas,
Emerson,	Forbes,	Gleason,
Gould,	Gunn,	Howland,
Jefts,	Jones, F. W.,	Lilley,
Locke,	Milliken,	Morrill,
Morse,	Naphen,	Norris,
Nourse,	Reed,	Scott,
Tappan. — 22.		

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Boynton,	Dunbar,	Gove,
Harlow,	Howard,	Jefferson,
Jones, E. D. G.,	Joyner,	McGahey,
Murphy,	Phillips,	Walker. — 12.

So the Senate non-concurred in the amendment and

the resolve was returned to the House of Representatives, and subsequently was returned to the Senate, the House having receded from its amendment.

The bill relating to the labor of prisoners in the State prison, substituted for the Senate resolve for an investigation of the subject of prison labor, came up, was read twice under a suspension of the rule, and on motion of Mr. Tappan was referred to the next General Court.

Prisoners, Labor of.

A bill making additional appropriations for the compensation of the members of the legislature, was read three times and passed to be engrossed in concurrence, under a suspension of the rules.

Appropriations.

A bill in further addition to the several acts making appropriations for expenses authorized the present year and for certain other expenses authorized by law, was read three times and passed to be engrossed in concurrence, under a suspension of the rules.

Id.

On motion of Mr. Lilley, the order by which the Senate adjourns daily at 4.45 P. M. was suspended.

Adjournment.

The following engrossed bills (the first of which originated in the Senate) passed to be enacted, to wit:—

Bills enacted and to Governor.

To establish the office of fire marshal of the city of Boston.

Making additional appropriations for the compensation of the members of the legislature.

In further addition to the several acts making appropriations for expenses authorized the present year and for certain other expenses authorized by law.

The following engrossed resolves (the first two of which originated in the Senate) passed, and, with the above-named bills, were laid before the Governor for his approval, to wit:—

Relating to the disposition of certain property of the Commonwealth in the possession of the Commission on Drainage.

Relating to plans for the better accommodation of the departments and officers of the State government in the city of Boston.

To confirm the acts of Albert J. Bamford as a justice of the peace.

Prorogation.

On motion of Mr. Nourse,—

Ordered, That a committee, to consist of three on the part of the Senate and such as the House may join, be appointed to wait upon His Excellency the Governor and inform him that the two branches of the legislature have disposed of all the public business which has been brought before them, and to request him, with the advice and consent of the Council, to prorogue them to the Tuesday next preceding the first Wednesday of January next; and Messrs. Nourse, Kendrickken and Walker are appointed said committee on the part of the Senate.

Sent down to be joined.

Came up, and Messrs. Dresser of Boston, Wilson of Lowell, Dwyer of Boston, Friend of Gloucester, Chappelle of Boston, Whitmore of Sunderland, Merritt of Chelsea, and O'Hearn of Lawrence, are joined.

Subsequently Mr. Nourse, from the above-named committee, reported that they had attended to the duty assigned them, and that the Governor was pleased to say that he congratulated the two branches that their labors had auspiciously closed; that he extended his wishes for their safe return to their families, and that he would communicate with the two houses forthwith by the Secretary of the Commonwealth.

At thirty-three minutes past six o'clock P.M., the Secretary came in and announced that the Governor had approved of 355 bills and 87 resolves, and had returned, with his objections thereto, the bills giving preference in appointment to office to honorably discharged soldiers and sailors without civil service examinations, and in relation to the water supply of the city of Fall River; and further, that he was directed by the Governor to inform the Senate that, in compliance with the request of the two branches, and with the consent of the Council, it was his pleasure to prorogue the General Court to the Tuesday next preceding the first Wednesday in January next.

And the General Court was prorogued accordingly.

Attest:

E. HERBERT CLAPP,
Clerk of the Senate.

APPENDIX.

[No. 1.]

ANNUAL REGISTER

OF THE

Executive and Legislative Departments

OF THE

GOVERNMENT OF MASSACHUSETTS.

1886.

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT.

NAME AND OFFICE.	Residence.	Date of Birth.	Native Place.	Occupation.	First Year in Present Office.
George D. Robinson, <i>Governor</i> , . . .	Chilcopee, .	Feb. 20, 1834,	Lexington, .	Lawyer, . .	1864.
Oliver Ames, <i>Lieut. Governor</i> , . . .	Easton, . .	Feb. 4, 1831,	Easton, . .	Manufacturer, .	1863.
Jonathan Bourne, <i>Councillor</i> , Dist. No. 1, .	New Bedford, .	Mar. 25, 1811,	Sandwich, .	Merchant, . .	1864.
Warren E. Locke, " " 2, .	Norwood, .	May 28, 1841,	Lexington, .	Railroad Agent, .	1865.
John Haskell Butler, " " 3, .	Somerville, .	Aug. 31, 1841,	Middleton, .	Lawyer, . .	1864.
Lawrence J. Logan, " " 4, .	Boston, . .	- 1840,	Ireland, . .	Importer, . .	1866.
Frank D. Allen, " " 5, .	Lynn, . .	Aug. 16, 1850,	Worcester, .	Lawyer, . .	1866.
Abraham B. Coffin, " " 6, .	Winchester, .	Mar. 31, 1831,	Gilead, Me., .	Lawyer, . .	1865.
Henry C. Greeley, " " 7, .	Cilinton, . .	Oct. 15, 1830,	Hudson, N. H.,	Merchant, . .	1865.
Lewis J. Powers, " " 8, .	Springfield, .	Jan. 15, 1837,	Springfield, .	Paper Manufacturer, .	1866.

Samuel J. Menard, <i>Private Secretary to the Governor</i> ,	Medford, . .	Oct. 9, 1851,	Buckport, Me.,	Journalist,	1885.
Edward F. Hamlin, <i>Executive Clerk</i> ,	Newton, . .	June 6, 1846,	Plainfield, .	-	1881.
<i>Heads of Departments —</i>					
Henry B. Peirce, <i>Secretary</i> ,	Abington, .	Aug. 6, 1841,	Duxbury, .	Insurance Broker, .	1876.
Alanson W. Beard, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Boston, . .	Aug. 20, 1825,	Indlow, Vt., .	Merchant, . .	1886.
Charles R. Ladd, <i>Auditor</i> ,	Springfield, .	April 9, 1822,	Tolland, Conn.,	Insurance, . .	1879.
Edgar J. Sherman, <i>Attorney-General</i> ,	Lawrence, .	Nov. 28, 1834,	Weathersfield, Vt.	Lawyer, . .	1883.
Samuel Dalton, <i>Adjutant-General</i> ,	Salem, . .	June 25, 1840,	Salem, . .	Merchant, . .	1883.

LEGISLATIVE DEPARTMENT.

SENATE.

ALBERT E. PILLSBURY, PRESIDENT.

Districts.	SENATORS.	Residence.	Date of Birth.	Native Place.	Occupation.	1st Year in Leg.
SUFFOLK COUNTY.						
First District,	Wesley A. Gove, .	Boston, .	Sept. 9, 1836,	Boston, .	Coal and W'd D'r,	1869. ¹
Second " .	John K. Murphy, .	" .	Aug. 25, 1856,	Charlestown, .	News'r and Adv'g Agt.,	1883. ¹
Third " .	Alexander B. McGahey, .	" .	Mar. 30, 1855,	Boston, .	Trader, .	1881. ¹
Fourth " .	Edward P. Wilbur, .	" .	Dec. 28, 1831,	Newburyport, .	Commis'n Merch't,	1884. ¹
Fifth " .	Henry F. Naphen, .	" .	Aug. 14, 1852,	Ireland, .	Lawyer, .	1886. ²
Sixth " .	Albert E. Pillsbury, .	" .	Aug. 19, 1849,	Milford, N. H., .	Lawyer, .	1876. ¹
Seventh " .	Paul H. Kendricksen, .	" .	Dec. 26, 1834,	Galway, Ireland,	Mechanic'l Engin'r,	1885. ¹
Eighth " .	John J. Hayes, .	" .	Jan. 26, 1845,	Killarney, Ire., .	Imp. and Com. Merchant,	1886. ²
Essex County.						
First District,	Frank W. Jones, .	Lynn, .	Aug. 20, 1855,	Stoughton, .	Foreman Shoe M'fy,	1884. ¹
Second " .	William Cogswell, .	Salem, .	Aug. 23, 1858,	Bradford, .	Lawyer, .	1870. ¹
Third " .	William H. Tappan, .	Manchester, .	Oct. 30, 1821,	Manchester, .	Land Surveyor, .	1881. ¹
Fourth " .	George W. Morrill, .	Amesbury, .	May 15, 1818,	Amesbury, .	Retired, .	1876. ¹
Fifth " .	Charles B. Emerson, .	Bradford, .	Jan. 1, 1831,	Salem, N. H., .	Pharmacist, .	1867. ¹
Sixth " .	Samuel B. Locke, .	Andover, .	Sept. 30, 1822,	Deerfield, N. H., .	Iron Foundry, .	1886. ²
Middlesex County.						
First District,	Eleazar Boynton, .	Medford, .	Sept. 29, 1824,	Gloucester, .	Merchant, .	1865. ¹
Second " .	Augustus E. Scott, .	Lexington, .	Aug. 18, 1838,	Franklin, .	Lawyer, .	1879. ¹

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Third District, . . .	Alpheus B. Alger, . . .	Cambridge, . . .	Oct. 8, 1854, . . .	Lowell, . . .	Lawyer, . . .	1886.*
Fourth " . . .	Francis Bigelow, . . .	Natick, . . .	April 21, 1840, . . .	Sherborn, . . .	Manufacturer, . . .	1879. ¹
Fifth " . . .	Luman T. Jeffs, . . .	Hudson, . . .	April 4, 1880, . . .	Washington, N.H., . . .	Manufacturer, . . .	1883. ¹
Sixth " . . .	John M. Harlow, . . .	Woburn, . . .	Nov. 25, 1819, . . .	Whitehall, N.Y., . . .	Physician, . . .	1885.*
Seventh " . . .	Charles S. Lilley, . . .	Lowell, . . .	Dec. 13, 1851, . . .	Lowell, . . .	Lawyer, . . .	1880.*
WORCESTER COUNTY.						
First District, . . .	Martin V R. Jefferson, . . .	Worcester, . . .	April 19, 1893, . . .	Uxbridge, . . .	Manufacturer, . . .	1890. ¹
Second " . . .	William T. Forbes, . . .	Westborough, . . .	May 24, 1850, . . .	Westborough, . . .	Lawyer, . . .	1881. ¹
Third " . . .	Allen L. Joslin, . . .	Oxford, . . .	Aug. 30, 1893, . . .	Thompson, Ct., . . .	Manufacturer, . . .	1885. ¹
Fourth " . . .	Charles A. Gleason, . . .	New Braintree, . . .	Feb. 7, 1846, . . .	New Braintree, . . .	Farmer, . . .	1875. ¹
Fifth " . . .	Henry S. Nourse, . . .	Lancaster, . . .	April 9, 1831, . . .	Lancaster, . . .	Civil Engineer, . . .	1883. ¹
HAMPSHIRE COUNTY.						
Hampshire District, . . .	Myron P. Walker, . . .	Belchertown, . . .	Feb. 18, 1847, . . .	Belchertown, . . .	Retired, . . .	1886.*
HAMPDEN COUNTY.						
First District, . . .	Henry M. Phillips, . . .	Springfield, . . .	Aug. 11, 1845, . . .	Athol, . . .	Tr. Phillips Mf. Co., . . .	1880. ¹
Second " . . .	James R. Dunbar, . . .	Westfield, . . .	Dec. 23, 1847, . . .	Pittsfield, . . .	Lawyer, . . .	1886.*
FRANKLIN COUNTY.						
Franklin District, . . .	Levi J. Gunn, . . .	Greenfield, . . .	June 2, 1880, . . .	Conway, . . .	Manufacturer, . . .	1885.*
BERKSHIRE COUNTY.						
North Berkshire District, . . .	Edward D. G. Jones, . . .	Pittsfield, . . .	Sept. 22, 1824, . . .	Otis, . . .	Millwrt't and M'r'r., . . .	1880. ¹
South " . . .	Herbert C. Joyner, . . .	Gt. Barrington, . . .	July 12, 1838, . . .	N. Harf'd, N.Y., . . .	Lawyer, . . .	1869. ¹
NORFOLK COUNTY.						
First District, . . .	Elijah A. Morse, . . .	Canton, . . .	May 25, 1841, . . .	South Bend, Ind., . . .	Manufacturer, . . .	1876. ¹
Second " . . .	John H. Gould, . . .	Medfield, . . .	Dec. 11, 1831, . . .	Pawtucket, R. I., . . .	Shipping Merchant, . . .	1886.*

* House of Representatives.

* Senate.

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PLYMOUTH COUNTY.						
First District, . . .	Charles H. Howland, . .	Plymouth, . .	Sept. 15, 1826,	Plymouth, . .	House Painter, . .	1860. ¹
Second " . . .	William L. Douglas, . .	Brockton, . .	Aug. 22, 1845,	Plymouth, . .	Shoe Manufacturer, .	1883. ¹
BRISTOL COUNTY.						
First District, . . .	Charles A. Reed, . .	Taunton, . .	June 16, 1836,	Weymouth, . .	Lawyer, . .	1881. ¹
Second " . . .	Robert Howard, . .	Fall River, . .	Feb. 8, 1845,	England, . .	Cotton Spinner, . .	1881. ¹
Third " . . .	Eben C. Milliken, . .	New Bedford, . .	Aug. 6, 1843,	Windsor, Maine, . .	Merchant, . .	1880. ¹
BARNSTABLE, NANTUCKET AND DUKES COUNTIES.						
Cape District, . . .	Howes Norris, . .	Cottage City, . .	Nov. 2, 1841,	Tisbury, . .	Editor, . .	1884. ²
OFFICERS OF THE SENATE.						
NAME AND OFFICE.			Residence.	Date of Birth.	Native Place.	1st Year in Office.
* Stephen N. Gifford, <i>Clerk</i>, . .	. . .	. . .	Duxbury, . .	July 21, 1815,	Pembroke, . .	1858.
E. Herbert Clapp, <i>Clerk</i>, . .	. . .	. . .	Boston, . .	Oct. 17, 1838,	Dorchester, . .	1886.
E. Herbert Clapp, <i>Assistant Clerk</i>, . .	. . .	. . .	" . . .	Oct. 17, 1838,	" . . .	1880.
Henry D. Coolidge, <i>Assistant Clerk</i>, . .	. . .	. . .	" . . .	Aug. 26, 1858,	Chelsea, . .	1886.
Edmund Dowse, <i>Chaplain</i>, . .	. . .	. . .	Sherborn, . .	Jan. 30, 1813,	Sherborn, . .	1880 [†]
John G. B. Adams, <i>Sergeant-at-Arms</i>, . .	. . .	. . .	Lynn, . .	Oct. 6, 1841,	Groveland, . .	1886.

² Senate.¹ House of Representatives.

* Died April 18, 1886.

† Member of the Senate, 1869, 1870.

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J. Q. A. BRACKETT, SPEAKER.

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Districts.	REPRESENTATIVES.	Residence.	Date of Birth.	Native Place.	Occupation.	1st Year in Leg.
BARNSTABLE COUNTY.						
No. 1,	Chas. Dillingham, . .	Sandwich, . .	Sept. 27, 1821,	Sandwich, . .	Farmer, Supt. Sch's, .	1861. ¹
2,	Watson F. Hammond, .	Mashpee, . .	May 24, 1837,	Mashpee, . .	Farmer, . .	1886.
3,	Geo. H. Loring, . .	Yarmouth, . .	July 26, 1834,	Yarmouth, . .	Retired, . .	1886.
4,	Ambrose N. Doane, . .	Harwich, . .	Nov. 22, 1839,	Harwich, . .	Wholes'g Fish Deal'r,	1885.
5,	Isaiah C. Young, . .	Wellfleet, . .	Sept. 29, 1846,	Wellfleet, . .	Merchant, . .	1886.
6,	Benjamin D. Atkins, .	Provincetown, .	July 20, 1832,	Provincetown, .	Mechanic, . .	1886.
BERKSHIRE COUNTY.						
No. 1,	Benj. Franklin Mills, .	Williamstown, .	Mar. 13, 1816,	Williamstown, .	Farmer, . .	1856. ¹
2,	George H. Kearn, . .	North Adams, .	Jan. 6, 1839,	Bridg'pt, Conn., .	Manufacturer, . .	1886.
3,	Alexander W. Fulton, .	North Adams, .	April 30, 1842,	Born at sea, . .	Shoemaker, . .	1886.
4,	John C. Crosby, . .	Pittsfield, . .	June 15, 1859,	Sheffield, Mass., .	Lawyer, . .	1886.
5,	Lorenzo H. Gamwell, .	Pittsfield, . .	April -, 1821,	Tyringham, . .	Lawyer, . .	1886.
6,	Frank E. Mason, . .	Savoy, . .	July 25, 1859,	Savoy, . .	Farmer, . .	1886.
7,	Samuel H. Norton, . .	Otis, . .	Oct. 17, 1831,	Otis, . .	Merchant, . .	1886.
8,	Charles H. Dorr, . .	Richmond, . .	Jan. 7, 1847,	Florida, N. Y., .	Farmer, . .	1886.
9,	Charles J. Burget, . .	Gt. Barrington, .	May 22, 1837,	Alford, Mass., .	Merchant, . .	1886.
10,	Edward D. Andrus, . .	Sheffield, . .	July 6, 1836,	Sheffield, . .	Farmer, . .	1886.

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BRISTOL COUNTY.						
No. 1.	{ Charles S. Frost, Frank I. Rarden, Melvin Wilbur, .	Mansfield, Attleborough, Raynham, .	Aug. 1, 1831, Dec. 4, 1846, May 21, 1841,	Providence, R. I., Franklin, Mass., Raynham, .	Jeweller, . Merchant, . Lumber Dealer and Box Manufacturer,	1886. 1886. 1886. 1864. 1874. 1886. 1886.
2.	{ Zacheus Sherman, Cyrus Savage, . Wm. J. Briggs, .	Taunton, Taunton, Taunton, .	Aug. 5, 1819, Sept. 2, 1832, Feb. 2, 1834,	Plympton, . Boston, . Dighton, .	Contract'r and Build'r, Britannia Worker, . Mason and Builder, .	1885. 1886. 1884. 1886. 1886. 1885.
3.	{ Fred'k C. S. Bartlett, Oliver P. Brightman, George H. Freeman,	Fairhaven, N. Bedford, N. Bedford,	May 26, 1853, Feb. 7, 1822, Dec. 28, 1837,	Acushnet, . Westport, . Sandwich, .	Retired, . Ink Manufacturer, . Retired, .	1885. 1886. 1884.
4.	{ Thomas W. Cook, Seth W. Godfrey, .	N. Bedford, N. Bedford,	Sept 15, 1837, April 30, 1844,	New Bedford, Taunton, .	Carriage Maker, . Farmer, .	1886. 1886.
5.	{ Cortez Allen, . Bernard J. Conway, .	Westport, Fall River, .	April 28, 1839, Oct. 11, 1855,	Westport, . Oldham, Eng.,	Insurance Agent, . Clerk, .	1885. 1885.
6.	{ Augustus P. Gorman, James Harrington, .	Fall River, Fall River, .	Aug. 28, 1860, Nov. 5, 1857,	Fall River, . Fall River, .	Salesman, . Retired, .	1886. 1885.
7.	{ Robert Henry, . John C. Milne, .	Fall River, Fall River, .	Nov. 12, 1833, May 18, 1824,	Lowell, Milfield, Scot'ld,	Printer and Publish'r, Paper Manufacturer, .	1884. 1886.
8.	{ Edward Lincoln, . Beriah T. Hillman, .	Dighton, . Chilmark, .	July -, 1832, Jan. 28, 1843,	Fall River, . Chilmark, .	Trader, .	1886. 1875.
DUKES COUNTY.						
No. 1.	{ Rufus McLellan, Cyrus Story, . Henry Friend, .	Gloucester, . Gloucester, . Gloucester, .	Sept. 11, 1841, Aug 18, 1822, May 10, 1841,	Gloucester, . Gloucester, . Gloucester, .	Blacksmith, . Hardware Dealer, . Fishing Business, .	1886. 1885. 1885.
ESSEX COUNTY.						
No. 1.	{ Rufus McLellan, Cyrus Story, . Henry Friend, .	Gloucester, . Gloucester, . Gloucester, .	Sept. 11, 1841, Aug 18, 1822, May 10, 1841,	Gloucester, . Gloucester, . Gloucester, .	Blacksmith, . Hardware Dealer, . Fishing Business, .	1886. 1885. 1885.

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3,	Otis F. Brown, .	Hamilton,	April 10, 1833,	Hamilton,	Farmer,	1886.
4,	Malcolm Sillars,	Danvers,	Sept. 17, 1837,	Ryegate, Vt.,	Shoe Cutter,	1886.
5,	Chas. L. Dodge,	Beverly,	Sept. 10, 1835,	Salem,	Commerc'l Traveller,	1885.
6,	Guifford P. Bray,	Salem,	Dec 19, 1831,	Deer Isle, Me.,	Grocer,	1886.
7,	Francis T. Berry,	Salem,	Aug. 18, 1849,	Salem,	Salesman,	1886.
8,	Patrick F. Tierney,	Salem,	Jan. 18, 1846,	Ireland,	Art Publisher,	1885.
9,	O. W. H. Upham,	Salem,	Mar. 8, 1843,	Salem,	Journalist,	1886.
10,	Samuel Roads, Jr.,	Marblehead,	Oct. 22, 1854,	Marblehead,	Real Estate and Mort-	1884.
11,	Wm. J. Goldthwait,	Marblehead,	May 7, 1854,	Marblehead,	gages,	1886.
12,	Eugene H. Goss,	Lynn,	Nov. 13, 1851,	Turner, Me.,	Salesman,	1886.
13,	Amos Beckford,	Lynn,	Mar. 13, 1828,	Marblehead,	Furniture Dealer,	1885.
14,	Horace A. Roberts,	Lynn,	Aug. 15, 1853,	Sandwich, N. H.,	Ice Dealer,	1886.
15,	William A. Clark, Jr.,	Lynn,	June 9, 1852,	Newark, N. J.,	W'chm'r and Jeweller,	1886.
16,	David Walker,	Lynn,	Aug. 3, 1841,	Scotland,	Last,	1886.
17,	Cyrus T. Batchelder,	I'eabody,	Dec. 7, 1824,	London, N. H.,	Wood and Coal,	1886.
18,	Chas. S. Hitchings,	Saugus,	April 21, 1845,	Saugus,	Shoe Manufacturer,	1886.
19,	Calvin Rea,	No. Andover,	Mar. 8, 1848,	North Andover,	Farmer,	1886.
20,	Wm. A. Stackpole,	Ipswich,	Nov. 27, 1847,	Lynn,	Soap Manufacturer,	1885.
21,	Edw. A. Moseley,	Newburyport,	Mar. 23, 1846,	Newburyport,	Lumber Merchant,	1886.
22,	Daniel M. Felch,	Newburyport,	Feb. 28, 1826,	Newburyport,	Contract'r and Build'r,	1886.
23,	Moseley D. Chase,	Georgetown,	- 1838,	Groveland,	Boot Treer,	1886.
24,	Hiram Walker,	Salisbury,	May 11, 1828,	Brownfield, Me.,	Shoe Manufacturer,	1886.
25,	George O. Goodwin,	Merrimac,	- 1822,	Brewer, Me.,	Apothecary,	1886.
26,	Ed. G. Frothingham,	Haverhill,	Aug. 12, 1837,	Gloucester,	Grocer,	1885.
27,	John E. Sawyer,	Methuen,	Feb. 7, 1837,	Methuen,	Shoe Manufacturer,	1885.
28,	William H. Johnson,	Haverhill,	Oct. 20, 1846,	Haverhill,	Teamster,	1885.
29,	John F. McQueeney,	Lawrence,	June 15, 1856,	Lawrence,	Contractor,	1886.
30,	Timothy F. O'Hearn,	Lawrence,	Dec. 6, 1854,	Andover,		

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ESSEX Co.— <i>Con.</i>						
No. 21, . . . {	James Murphy, . Milton B. Townsend,	Lawrence, . Lawrence, .	Feb. 3, 1840, Aug. 26, 1838,	Ireland, . Andover, .	Printer, . . . Laundryman, . . .	1885. 1885.
FRANKLIN COUNTY.						
No. 1, . . .	William G. Walkup, .	Erving, .	Sept. 4, 1838,	Montague, .	Clerk, . . .	1886.
2, . . .	Fred'k L. Whitmore, .	Sunderland, .	Sept. 23, 1851,	Sunderland, .	Farmer, . . .	1886.
3, . . .	Edwin Baker, .	Shelburne, .	Jan 18, 1843,	Hawley, .	Pharmacist, . . .	1885.
4, . . .	Henry W. Hopkins, .	Conway, .	Nov. 3, 1851,	Conway, .	Meat Dealer, . . .	1886.
5, . . .	Earl Shearer, .	Colrain, .	June 14, 1840,	Colrain, .	Farmer, . . .	1886.
6, . . .	Albert A. Hicks, .	Monroe, .	— 1825,	Monroe, .	F'm'r and L'mb'r'm'n,	1886.
HAMPDEN COUNTY.						
No. 1, . . .	Alvin A. Hubbard, .	Wales, .	Dec. 7, 1859,	Springfield, .	Merchant, . . .	1886.
2, . . .	Stephen S. Taft, .	Palmer, .	Oct. 9, 1848,	Upton, .	Lawyer, . . .	1886.
3, . . .	Matthew Ryan, .	Chicopee, .	Mar. 14, 1840,	Tipperary, Ire.,	Treasurer and Clerk,	1885.
4, . . . {	Charles C. Smith, .	Springfield, .	July 27, 1826,	So. Hadley, .	Retired, . . .	1885.
5, . . .	John L. Knight, .	Springfield, .	— 1842,	Leicester, .	Bookbinder, . . .	1886.
6, . . .	William F. Cook, .	Springfield, .	April 1, 1851,	Portland, Me.,	Gran. and M'ble M'r, .	1885.
7, . . .	John S. Sanderson, .	Springfield, .	— 1828,	Sunderland, .	Brick M'r and B'lder,	1886.
8, . . .	Edward H. Lathrop, .	Springfield, .	Dec. 2, 1838,	Springfield, .	Lawyer, . . .	1868.
9, . . .	Jeremiah J. Keane, .	Holyoke, .	May 26, 1855,	N. Y. City, N. Y.,	Bricklayer, . . .	1886.
10, . . . {	Levi Perkins, .	Holyoke, .	Mar. 13, 1831,	Holyoke, .	Banker, . . .	1886.
11, . . .	William H. Whitney, .	Westfield, .	July 9, 1840,	Westfield, .	Furn'r D'l'r and Und'r,	1886.
	William Provin, .	Westfield, .	Feb. 14, 1842,	Sullivan, Pa.,	Whip Manufacturer, .	1883.
	Henry K. Herrick, .	Blandford, .	Aug. 24, 1839,	Blandford, .	Farmer, . . .	1886.

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HAMPSHIRE COUNTY.					Mar. 16, 1826,	Rehoboth, .	Builder and Civil Engineer,	1881.
No. 1, . . .	Edwin R. Bosworth, .	Easthampton, .	July 7, 1852,	Northampton, .	Northampton, .	Northampton, .	Lawyer, . . .	1886.
2, . . .	John B. Bottum, .	Northampton, .	Jan. 21, 1836,	Williamsburg, .	Williamsburg, .	Williamsburg, .	Merchant, . . .	1886.
3, . . .	Alonzo Shaw, .	Goshen, .	Dec. 5, 1818,	South Hadley, .	South Hadley, .	South Hadley, .	Farmer, . . .	1886.
4, . . .	Charles S. Boynton, .	South Hadley, .	Aug. 28, 1841,	Enfield, . . .	Enfield, . . .	Enfield, . . .	Farmer, . . .	1886.
5, . . .	John M. Crosby, .	Enfield, . . .	Sept. 29, 1826,			Southbridge, .	Mercantile Business, .	1886.
MIDDLESEX COUNTY.					Mar. 18, 1815,	Bristol, N. H., .	Merchant, . . .	1876.
No. 1, . . .	Solomon S. Sleeper, .	Cambridge, .	Sept. 4, 1856,	Cambridge, .	Cambridge, .	Cambridge, .	Lawyer, . . .	1886.
2, . . .	Geo. A. Perkins, .	Cambridge, .	Oct. 26, 1832,	Cambridge, .	Cambridge, .	Rochester, N. Y., .	Piano Maker, . . .	1882.
3, . . .	John W. Wilkinson, .	Cambridge, .	July 17, 1848,	Cambridge, .	Cambridge, .	Ladlow, Vt., .	Lawyer, . . .	1884.
4, . . .	Geo. C. Bent, .	Cambridge, .	Oct. 27, 1842,	Cambridge, .	Cambridge, .	Holland, . . .	Dry Goods Dealer, .	1886.
5, . . .	Chas. H. H. Bennink, .	Cambridge, .	May 23, 1843,	Cambridge, .	Cambridge, .	Roxbury, . . .	Florist, . . .	1885.
6, . . .	Wm. E. Doyle, .	Somerville, .	Oct. 3, 1847,	Somerville, .	Somerville, .	Truro, . . .	Paper and Metal D'r, .	1885.
7, . . .	Levi F. S. Davis, .	Somerville, .	Sept. 3, 1850,	Somerville, .	Somerville, .	Cambridge, .	Paper Hangings, .	1886.
8, . . .	William H. Flynn, .	Somerville, .	Mar. 5, 1843,	Somerville, .	Somerville, .	Milltown, N. B., .	Lawyer, . . .	1878.
9, . . .	Samuel C. Darling, .	Medford, .	May 5, 1838,	Medford, .	Medford, .	Walpole, . . .	Carpenter and B'lder, .	1886.
10, . . .	John H. Hooper, .	Malden, .	Aug. 27, 1827,	Malden, .	Malden, .	Exeter, Me., .	Manufacturer, . . .	1886.
11, . . .	George W. Walker, .	Melrose, .	Oct. 24, 1848,	Melrose, .	Melrose, .	Cornville, Me., .	Lawyer, . . .	1886.
12, . . .	Dudley P. Bailey, .	Stoneham, .	Apr. 21, 1850,	Stoneham, .	Stoneham, .	Melrose, . . .	Apothecary, . . .	1814.
13, . . .	John Larrabee, .	Wakefield, .	Jan. 6, 1815,	Wakefield, .	Wakefield, .	Scotland, . . .	Iron Moulder, . . .	1884.
14, . . .	George Cowdrey, .	No. Reading, .	Aug. 3, 1849,	No. Reading, .	No. Reading, .	North Reading, .	Farmer, . . .	1886.
15, . . .	Robert Blyth, .	Woburn, .	Feb. 10, 1833,	Woburn, .	Woburn, .	Montreal, P. Q., .	Leather Manufact'r, .	1885.
	Dennis Batchelder, .	Arlington, .	May 8, 1832,	Arlington, .	Arlington, .	Westport, . . .	Coal, Wood, etc., .	1886.
	John P. Crane, .	Belmont, .	June 5, 1849,	Belmont, .	Belmont, .		Provisions, . . .	1885.
	Warren A. Peirce, .		Feb. 28, 1812,					
	J. Varnum Fletcher, .							

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MIDDLESEX Co.—Con.						
16, . . .	Elijah W. Wood,	Newton,	June 4, 1826,	Upton,	Cultivation of Fruit,	1856.
17, . . .	Willard Marcy,	Newton,	Nov. 21, 1822,	Hartland, Vt.,	Manufacturer,	1885.
18, . . .	Erkine Warden,	Walham,	Feb. 20, 1839,	Barnet, Vt.,	Grocer,	1885.
19, . . .	Franklin Jaquith,	Billerica,	Dec. 27, 1839,	Billerica,	Glue Manufacturer,	1886.
20, . . .	Perley P. Perham,	Chelmsford,	Sept. 15, 1823,	Wilton, N. H.,	Butcher,	1885.
21, . . .	John J. Hogan,	Lowell,	July 10, 1857,	Lowell,	Lawyer,	1885.
22, . . .	Edward M. Tucke,	Lowell,	—	Lowell,	Insurance,	1886.
23, . . .	Peter J. Brady,	Lowell,	Oct. 29, 1861,	Lowell,	Clerk,	1886.
24, . . .	Solion W. Stevens,	Lowell,	Aug. 1, 1836,	Lowell,	Instructor in Music,	1886.
25, . . .	Joseph M. Wilson,	Lowell,	Sept. 13, 1847,	Boscawen, N. H.,	Wholesale Meat D'r,	1885.
26, . . .	Francis E. Shaw,	Lowell,	Jan. 16, 1841,	Lowell,	Hotel Proprietor,	1886.
27, . . .	Henry J. Hosmer,	Concord,	Feb. 2, 1832,	Northfield,	Tr. Amer. Powder Co.,	1884.
28, . . .	Alfred H. Bryant,	Wayland,	Mar. 24, 1845,	Wayland,	Foreman Shoe Fact'y,	1886.
29, . . .	Justin Perry,	Natick,	Feb. 18, 1850,	Natick,	Shoemaker,	1886.
30, . . .	Joseph H. Dewing,	Holliston,	Dec. 17, 1843,	Holliston,	Farmer,	1886.
31, . . .	Fred'k N. Oxley,	Ashland,	Feb. 14, 1849,	C'mberl'd Co., N.S.	Druggist,	1886.
32, . . .	Samuel B. Bird,	Frammingham,	Sept. 3, 1831,	Ashby,	Farmer,	1886.
33, . . .	Wm. N. Davenport,	Marlborough,	Nov. 3, 1856,	Boylston,	Lawyer,	1885.
34, . . .	Edw'd P. Miles,	Hudson,	May 19, 1848,	Stow,	Sole Leather Cutter,	1886.
35, . . .	Frank Leighton,	Pepperell,	June 17, 1848,	Westford,	Shoe Manufacturer,	1886.
35, . . .	George J. Burns,	Ayer,	July 14, 1855,	Westford,	Lawyer,	1886.
NANTUCKET COUNTY.						
No. 1, . . .	John W. Hallett,	Nantucket,	Feb. 7, 1827,	Sandwich,	Clothing Manuf'r,	1884.

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NORFOLK COUNTY.

No. 1.	Frank A. Fales,.	Norwood,	Oct. 13, 1848,	Dedham,	Grain Dealer,	1886.
2.	Clement K. Fay,	Brookline,	Nov. 17, 1845,	Brookline,	Lawyer,	1885.
3.	Chas. Francis Jenney,	Hyde Park,	Sept. 16, 1860,	Middleborough,	Lawyer,	1886.
4.	Geo. E. Downes,	Canton,	Sept. 6, 1893,	Canton,	Salt Dealer,	1886.
5.	Herbert M. Federhen,	Quincy,	June 2, 1846,	Boston,	Jeweller,	1885.
6.	Francis Ambler,	Weymouth,	June 3, 1893,	Weymouth,	Grain Dealer,	1885.
7.	Benj. S. Lovell,	Weymouth,	July 10, 1845,	Weymouth,	Gun Dealer,	1877.
8.	Caleb Thompson,	Brantree,	Feb. 18, 1832,	Brantree,	Boot Finisher,	1886.
9.	William W. Hurley,	Randolph,	May 29, 1851,	Ireland,	Shoemaker,	1886.
10.	Henry Fitzpatrick,	Stoughton,	Feb. 12, 1843,	Foxborough,	Boot and Shoe M'r'r,	1886.
11.	Benj. F. Boyden, 2d,	Foxborough,	Nov. 23, 1846,	Lansingb'g, N.Y.,	Treasurer M'g Cor.,	1880.
12.	Henry L. Millis,	Wellesley,	Jan. 2, 1855,	Boston,	Railroad,	1886.
13.	Walter Hunnewell,	Wellesley,	-	Boston,	Banker,	1886.

PLYMOUTH COUNTY.

No. 1.	Edmund Hersey, 2d,	Hingham,	July 7, 1829,	Hingham,	Boot and Shoe D'r'r,	1886.
2.	Alfred A. Seaverns,	Scituate,	Oct. 2, 1839,	Dorchester,	Clerk,	1886.
3.	Miles Sampson,	Pembroke,	Jan. 25, 1825,	Pembroke,	Carpenter,	1886.
4.	Feleg T. Brooks,	Kingston,	-	Duxbury,	Expressman,	1886.
5.	Arthur Lord,	Plymouth,	Sept. 2, 1850,	Port Washington, Wa.,	Lawyer,	1885.
6.	Franklin Cross,	Mattapoisett,	Feb. 28, 1816,	Mansfield, Conn.,	Ret'd Shipmaster,	1886.
7.	James H. Harlow,	Middleboro',	Sept. 14, 1814,	Middleborough,	Carriage Dealer,	1886.
8.	Wyman C. Fickett,	E. Bridge'water,	-	C. Elizabeth, Me.,	Teacher,	1886.
9.	Jubal C. Gleason,	Rockland,	Nov. 9, 1837,	Hubbardston,	Physician,	1870.
10.	Charles H. Cary,	Brookton,	July 6, 1897,	No. Bridgewater,	Shoe Operative,	1886.
11.	Patriek McCarthy,	Whitman,	April 1, 1849,	Ireland,	Shoe Operative,	1886.
12.	Wm. H. Gurney,	Whitman,	Nov. 8, 1828,	Troy, N. Y.,	Ass't Postmaster,	1886.

APPENDIX.

Districts.	REPRESENTATIVES.	Residence.	Date of Birth.	Native Place.	Occupation.	1st Year in Leg.
SUFFOLK COUNTY.						
No. 1,	J. Henry Stevenson,	East Boston,	June 25, 1838,	Wolboro, N. H.,	Mason and Builder,	1886.
.	John E. Lynch,	East Boston,	Jan. 28, 1852,	New Brunswick,	Boiler Manufacturer,	1886.
2,	James E. Fitzgerald,	East Boston,	- 1855,	Boston,	Law Student,	1885.
.	Patrick J. Kennedy,	East Boston,	Jan. 14, 1858,	East Boston,	Liquor Dealer,	1886.
3,	George A. Sanderson,	Charlestown,	- 1843,	Newton,	Baker,	1884.
.	Francis J. Murphy,	Charlestown,	Sept. 22, 1852,	Charlestown,	Dry Goods Dealer,	1886.
4,	Charles Field,	Charlestown,	Dec. 8, 1829,	Dorchester,	None,	1857.
.	Philip J. Doherty,	Charlestown,	Jan. 27, 1856,	Charlestown,	Lawyer,	1884.
5,	John P. Reynolds,	Charlestown,	May 31, 1859,	Charlestown,	Law Student,	1886.
.	Dennis J. Leahy,	Boston,	July 28, 1856,	Boston,	R. E. Ag't and Auc'r,	1885.
6,	Edward J. Flynn,	Boston,	June 16, 1859,	Boston,	Lawyer,	1885.
.	Dominick J. Harkins,	Boston,	Feb. 18, 1853,	Boston,	Upholsterer,	1884.
7,	Daniel McLaughlin,	Boston,	- 1847,	Ireland,	Clerk,	1885.
.	Patrick D. Dwyer,	Boston,	- 1857,	Ireland,	Law Student,	1884.
8,	Matthew Dolan,	Boston,	Oct. 7, 1856,	Boston,	Lawyer,	1885.
.	Julius C. Chappelle,	Boston,	Feb. 28, 1852,	Newbury Co., S. C.,	Janitor,	1882.
9,	Henry Parkman,	Boston,	May 28, 1850,	Boston,	Lawyer,	1886.
.	Jacob A. Dresser,	Boston,	- 1824,	Thompson, Conn.,	Retired,	1884.
10,	Edward P. Fisk,	Boston,	Jan. 25, 1852,	Boston,	Merchant,	1886.
.	Wm. F. Wharton,	Boston,	June 28, 1847,	Jamaica Plain,	Lawyer,	1885.
11,	John O. Teele,	Boston,	July 18, 1839,	Wilmot, N. H.,	Lawyer,	1886.
.	Michael H. Burke,	Boston,	July 15, 1856,	Boston,	Liquor Dealer,	1886.
12,	Philip H. Quinn,	Boston,	Mar. 11, 1858,	Boston,	Clerk,	1886.
.	John J. Maguire,	South Boston,	Jan. 6, 1850,	Boston,	Hardwood Finisher,	1884.
13,	James Sullivan,	South Boston,	- 1844,	Co. Kerry, Ire.,	Stable Keeper,	1886.

14,	Richard F. Tobin,	South Boston,	Nov. 20, 1844,	Boston,	Forem'n Iron Foundry,	1885.
	John A. Collins,	South Boston,	Feb. 29, 1860,	Boston,	Lawyer,	1885.
15,	Michael J. Creed,	South Boston,	Aug. 28, 1856,	Boston,	Lawyer,	1884.
	Peter J. Reardon,	South Boston,	Dec. 7, 1859,	Boston,	Marble Cutter,	1884.
16,	James Donovan,	Boston,	May 28, 1859,	Boston,	Clerk,	1884.
	Jeremiah Desmond,	Boston,	May 2, 1853,	Boston,	Brass Worker,	1885.
17,	John Q. A. Brackett,	Boston,	June 8, 1842,	Bradford, N. H.,	Lawyer,	1877.
	Albert A. Woodward,	Boston,	Apr. 16, 1837,	Taunton,	Master Mechanic,	1886.
18,	Wm. A. Rust,	Boston,	June 22, 1829,	Gorham, Me.,	Wholesale Druggist,	1885.
	Edward J. Hathorne,	Boston,	Apr. 2, 1854,	Boston,	Citizens' L. of Coaches,	1886.
19,	John F. Shea,	Boston,	June 2, 1858,	Boston,	Lawyer,	1886.
	Daniel J. Maguire,	Boston,	May 16, 1838,	Ireland,	Cigar Manufacturer,	1886.
20,	Michael J. McEtrick,	Boston,	June 22, 1816,	Boston,	Civil Engineer,	1885.
	John H. McDonough,	Boston,	Mar. 29, 1857,	Portland, Me.,	Watchmaker,	1886.
21,	George Curtis,	Boston,	Sept. 3, 1817,	Westminster,	Retired,	1861.
22,	John Backup,	Boston,	July 15, 1830,	Tariffville, Conn.,	Books'r and Stationer,	1886.
	Thomas F. Hunt,	Boston,	Oct. 27, 1854,	Boston,	Travelling Salesman,	1885.
23,	Henry C. Allen,	Boston,	Aug. 20, 1826,	Waltham,	Retired,	1886.
	Daniel Gunn,	Boston,	- 1827,	Pictou, N. S.,	Print'r and Lab'l M'r,	1886.
24,	Hazard Stevens,	Boston,	June 9, 1842,	Newport, R. I.,	Lawyer,	1885.
	Frank E. Brigham,	Dorchester,	Oct. 6, 1843,	Boston,	R. E. Broker and Ag't,	1886.
25,	James A. Hathaway,	Brighton,	- 1837,	Freetown,	Cattle Broker,	1886.
	Simeon Butterfield,	Chelsea,	- 1826,	Boston,	Real Estate,	1884.
26,	Geo. E. Morrill,	Chelsea,	May 11, 1844,	Boston,	Groceries and Produce,	1886.
	Marcus M. Merritt,	Chelsea,	Apr. 1, 1839,	Templeton,	Tobacco Manuf'r,	1886.

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WORCESTER COUNTY.						
No. 1,	James Daley,	Uxbridge,	- 1842,	Ireland,	Merchant,	1886.
2,	James F. Stratton,	Milford,	Sept. 25, 1854,	Milford,	Cigar Manufacturer,	1884.
3,	Henry E. Fales,	Milford,	Nov. 6, 1837,	Walpole,	Lawyer,	1886.
4,	Luther K. Leland,	Grafton,	Sept. 30, 1845,	Grafton,	Merchant,	1886.
5,	Horace F. Webster,	Southborough,	Jan. 22, 1829,	Hookset, N. H.,	Blacksmith,	1886.
6,	Jesse B. Wheeler,*	Bolton,	June 30, 1830,	Berlin,	Farmer,	1886.
7,	Jonathan Smith,	Clinton,	Oct. 21, 1842,	Peterboro, N. H.,	Lawyer,	1886.
8,	Rickard A. Leonard,	Fitchburg,	Oct. 5, 1830,	Raynham,	M'r Agricult'l Tools,	1886.
9,	Joseph S. Wilson,	Fitchburg,	Jan. 29, 1827,	Dover,	M'r Iron Castings,	1886.
10,	Charles J. Rice,	Winchendon,	July 2, 1832,	New Gloucester, Me.,	Lumber D'r and M'r,	1885.
11,	Herbert S. Stratton,	Gardner,	Jan. 28, 1850,	Grafton,	Merchant,	1886.
12,	Benjamin W. Rich,	Royalston,	Sept. 29, 1821,	Phillipston,	Merchant,	1886.
13,	Chas. A. Perley,	Templeton,	Sept. 15, 1826,	Gardner,	Chair Manufacturer,	1886.
14,	Jesse Allen,	Oakham,	May 23, 1847,	Oakham,	Farming,	1886.
15,	Henry A. White,	Leicester,	June 12, 1841,	Leicester,	Manufacturer,	1886.
16,	Edwin Wilbur,	W. Brookfield,	- 1840,	Oakham,	Ment and Provisions,	1886.
17,	Marcus Burroughs,	Warren,	Dec. 30, 1840,	Warren,	Farmer,	1886.
18,	Joseph L. Woodbury,	Oxford,	June 10, 1844,	Charlton,	Granite Cutter, etc.,	1886.
19,	James Holmes,	Spencer,	Dec. 7, 1843,	Canada,	Overseer,	1886.
20,	Julius P. Freeman,	Webster,	July 10, 1846,	Webster,	Wool Sorter,	1886.
21,	Henry S. Stockwell,	Sutton,	April 9, 1833,	Sutton,	F'rmer and Lumb. D'r,	1886.
22,	Sumner Small,	Northborough,	Dec. 25, 1818,	Lisbon, Me.,	Retired,	1886.
23,	James Hadley,	Leominster,	Oct. 25, 1827,	Lunenburg,	Coal Dealer,	1885.
24,	Augustus N. Currier,	Worcester,	June 5, 1820,	Andover, N. H.,	Fire Insurance,	1883.
25,	Henry M. Smith,	Worcester,	May 5, 1830,	New Bedford,	Journalist,	1885.

OFFICERS OF THE HOUSE.

20,	.	John F. O'Connor,	Worcester,	Sept. 8, 1859,	Worcester,	Teacher,	1885.
21,	.	James H. Mellen,	Worcester,	Nov. 7, 1845,	Worcester,	Editor,	1877.
22,	.	Thos. W. Butler,	Worcester,	Jan. 12, 1866,	Worcester,	Teacher,	1886.
23,	.	Loring Coes,	Worcester,	April 22, 1812,	Worcester,	M'r Screw Wrenches,	1885.
24,	.	Henry L. Parker,	Worcester,	Oct. 7, 1834,	Acton,	Lawyer,	1886.
25,	.	Joseph Mason,	Worcester,	Mar. 18, 1813,	Northfield,	Lawyer,	1885.

NAME AND OFFICE.		Residence.	Date of Birth.	Occupation.	1st Year in office.
Edward A. McLaughlin,	<i>Clerk,</i>	Boston,	Sept. 25, 1853,	Lawyer,	1883.
Robert A. Southworth,	<i>Assistant Clerk,</i>	Boston,	May 6, 1852.	Lawyer,	1883.
John G. B. Adams,	<i>Sergeant-at-Arms,</i>	Lynn,	Oct. 6, 1841.	-	1886.
Rev. Daniel W. Waldron,	<i>Chaplain,</i>	Boston,	-	Clergyman,	1879.

* Died May 24, 1886.

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The date 1817 denotes the time when the several rules against which it is placed were first preserved. Previous to that year these rules are not to be found, although from the Senate Journal it appears that they were printed.

Numbers enclosed in parentheses following each rule indicate the corresponding House rule.]

THE PRESIDENT.

RULE 1. The President shall take the chair every day at the hour to which the Senate stands adjourned, shall call the members to order, and, on the appearance of a quorum, shall proceed to business. (1.) [1831.]

RULE 2. The President shall preserve order and decorum, may speak to points of order in preference to other members, and shall decide all questions of order subject to an appeal. He shall rise to put a question, or to address the Senate, but may read sitting. (2, 5.) [1817; between 1821 and 1826; 1831.]

RULE 3. The President may vote on all questions. (4.) [1826.]

RULE 4. When two or more members rise at once, the President shall designate which of them shall be entitled to the floor. (73.) [1831.]

RULE 5. The President shall have the right to appoint a member to perform the duties of the chair, but such appointment shall not extend beyond three days. (7.) [1831; 1862; 1865.]

RULE 6. In case of a vacancy in the office of President, or in case the President, or the member substituted by him in accordance with Rule 5, is absent at the hour designated in Rule 1, the eldest senior member present shall call the Senate

to order, and shall preside until a President, or a President *pro tempore* is elected by ballot, which shall be the first business of the Senate. (8.) [1831; 1885.]

CLERK.

RULE 7. Every question of order shall be noted in the journal, and, with the decision, shall be entered at large in an appendix, which shall also contain the Rules of the Senate, and of the two branches. (12.) [1882.]

RULE 8. The clerk shall prepare and cause to be printed, each day, a calendar of matters in order for consideration, followed by a brief minute of the preliminary proceedings of the previous day, a list of matters lying on the table, and such other memoranda as the Senate or the President may direct. (13.) [1882.]

RULE 9. The clerk shall retain bills and other papers, in reference to which any member has a right to move a reconsideration (except petitions, enacted bills, orders of inquiry, and orders of notice), until the right of reconsideration has expired. (15.) [1855; 1856; 1875; 1882; 1885.]

RULE 10. When a bill or resolve coming from the other branch does not appear in print in the form in which it was passed in that branch, the Clerk shall either indicate the amendments on the Orders of the Day, or shall have the bill or resolve reprinted, at his discretion. [1882.]

MEMBERS OF THE SENATE.

RULE 11. No member shall be permitted to vote or serve on any committee on a question where his private right is immediately concerned, distinct from the public interest. (25, 61.) [1855.]

RULE 12. No member shall absent himself from the Senate without leave, unless there is a quorum without his presence. (18.) [1817.]

COMMITTEES.

RULE 13. The following standing committees shall be appointed at the beginning of the political year, to wit:—

A committee on the Judiciary;

To consist of five members.

A committee on Matters of Probate and Insolvency;

A committee on the Treasury;

A committee on Bills in the Third Reading;

A committee on Engrossed Bills;

A committee on Rules;

To consist of three members. (21.)

[1831; 1836; 1840; 1844; 1847; 1863; 1864; 1870;
1876; 1882; 1885; 1886.]

RULE 14. All committees shall be appointed by the President, unless otherwise specially directed by the Senate, and the person first named shall be chairman. In all elections of committees by ballot, the person having the highest number of votes shall act as chairman. (22, 23.)

[1817; between 1821 and 1826; 1831.]

RULE 15. No committee shall be allowed to occupy the Senate Chamber without leave of the Senate. (99.)

[1836; 1863.]

RULE 16. No bill or resolve affecting the rights of individuals, or of private or municipal corporations, otherwise than it affects generally the people of the whole Commonwealth, shall be reported by a committee, unless it is made to appear to the satisfaction of the committee that notice has been given, by public advertisement or otherwise, to all parties interested, without expense to the Commonwealth; or unless evidence satisfactory to the committee is produced that the parties interested have, in writing, waived notice. (30.) [1870; 1871; 1885.]

RULE 17. When the object of an application, whether by petition, order, or bill introduced on leave, can be secured without a special act under existing laws, or without detriment to the public interests by a general law, the committee to whom the matter is referred shall report such general law, or leave to withdraw, inexpedient to legislate, or ought not to pass, as the case may be. (29.) [1882; 1885.]

FORM OF BILLS AND RESOLVES.

RULE 18. All bills and resolves shall be written in a fair, legible hand, without interlineations, on not less than one sheet of paper, with suitable margins and spaces between the several sections or resolves, dates and numbers being written in words at length. Bills amending existing laws shall not provide for striking words from, or inserting words in, such laws, unless such course is the best calculated to show clearly the subject and nature of the amendment. No repealed law and no law which has expired by limitation, and no part of any such laws, shall be re-enacted by reference merely. (40.)

[1844; 1857; 1880; 1882; 1885.]

INTRODUCTION OF BUSINESS.

RULE 19. Every member presenting a petition, memorial, or remonstrance, shall endorse his name thereon, and in the filing thereof, shall state briefly the nature and object of the instrument; and the reading of the same shall be dispensed with, unless specially ordered by the Senate. (35.) [1831.]

RULE 20. It shall be the duty of every member of the Senate, who moves that any standing committee be instructed to inquire into the expediency of amending an existing law, to point out to such committee, in writing, the amendment which he deems expedient, and to furnish a written statement of the facts and authorities in favor thereof to such committee, if by them required. (38.) [1858.]

RULE 21. No bill or resolve shall be proposed or introduced unless received from the House, reported by a committee, or moved as an amendment to the report of a committee: *provided, however*, that special leave may be granted to a member to introduce a bill or resolve, and such bill or resolve shall be committed before it is passed to a second reading. (45.)

[1881; 1882.]

RULE 22. The consideration of any order proposed for adoption, or of any request for leave to introduce a bill or resolve, shall be postponed without question, to the day after that on which the order is proposed or request made, if any member asks such postponement. (39.) [1885.]

RULE 23. No legislation affecting directly the rights of individuals or corporations, otherwise than as it affects generally the interests of the people of the whole Commonwealth, or of the cities or towns to which it specifically applies, shall be proposed or introduced, by amendment or otherwise, except by report of a committee, upon petition duly presented and referred, or as a substitute for such report. Objection to the violation of this rule may be taken at any stage prior to the third reading. (47.) [1875; 1882; 1885.]

COURSE OF PROCEEDINGS.

RULE 24. All bills and resolves from the House of Representatives, after they are read a first time, shall be committed to a committee of the Senate, except when said bills or resolves have been reported by a joint committee. Bills and resolves reported in the Senate, and bills and resolves from the House reported by joint committees, shall, after they have been read once, be placed in the Orders of the Day for the next day for a second reading without a question, except as otherwise provided by Rule 25. (43.) [1825; 1885.]

RULE 25. All bills and resolves involving the expenditure of public money, unless the subject-matter has been acted upon by the joint committee on Expenditures, shall, after the first reading, be referred in course to the committee on the Treasury, whose duty it shall be to report on their relation to the finances of the Commonwealth. (42.) [1871; 1882.]

RULE 26. No bill or resolve shall pass to be engrossed without three readings on three several days. (50.)

[1817; 1836; 1841; 1859; 1878; 1881; 1882; 1885.]

RULE 27. Bills and resolves, in their several readings, shall be read by their titles, unless objection is made. (46.)

[1817; 1836; 1841; 1859; 1878; 1881; 1882; 1885.]

RULE 28. If a committee to whom a bill (or resolve) is referred, report that the same ought not to pass, the question shall be, "Shall this bill (or resolve) be rejected?" If the question on rejection is negatived, the bill or resolve, if it has been read but once, shall go to its second reading without a

question; and if it has been read more than once it shall be placed in the Orders of the Day for the next day, pending the question on ordering to a third reading, or engrossment, as the case may be. (41.)

[1817; 1836; 1841; 1859; 1878; 1881; 1882; 1885.]

RULE 29. Bills or resolves ordered to a third reading shall be placed in the orders for the next day for such reading. (57.)

[1817; 1836; 1841; 1859; 1878; 1881; 1882; 1885.]

RULE 30. If an amendment is made at the second or third reading of a bill or resolve, substantially changing the greater part thereof, the question shall not be put forthwith on ordering the bill or resolve to a third reading, or to be engrossed, but the bill or resolve, as amended, shall be placed in the orders of the next day after that on which the amendment is made, and shall then be open to further amendment before such question is put. In like manner, when an amendment is made in any proposition of such a nature as to change its character, as from a bill to an order, or the like, the proposition as amended shall be placed in the orders of the next day after that on which the amendment was made. (61.) [1882.]

RULE 31. All bills and resolves in the third reading shall be committed to the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, whose duty it shall be to examine and correct them, for the purpose of avoiding repetitions and unconstitutional provisions, and of insuring accuracy in the text and references, and consistency with the language of existing statutes: *provided*, that any change in the sense or legal effect, or any material change in construction, shall be reported to the Senate as an amendment. (49.) [1817; 1836; 1882.]

RULE 32. All engrossed bills and resolves shall be committed to the committee on Engrossed Bills, whose duty it shall be carefully to compare the same with the bill or resolve as passed to be engrossed; and, if found by them to be rightly and truly engrossed, they shall so endorse on the envelope thereof; and the final question shall be taken thereon without any further reading, unless, on motion, a majority of the Senate shall be in favor of reading the same as engrossed. (28, 51.)

[1817; 1831; 1882.]

ORDERS OF THE DAY.

RULE 33. The unfinished business in which the Senate was engaged at the time of the last adjournment shall have the preference in the Orders of the Day next after motions to reconsider. (59.) [1830; 1870.]

RULE 34. Reports of committees, except such as do not propose final action, and reports of committees of Conference, shall, unless otherwise specially ordered, be placed in the Orders of the Day next succeeding that on which they are presented to the Senate. (56.) [1845; 1853.]

RULE 35. After entering upon the consideration of the Orders of the Day, the Senate shall proceed with them in regular course, as follows: Matters not giving rise to a motion or debate shall first be disposed of in the order in which they stand in the calendar; then the matters that were passed over shall be considered and disposed of in like order. (58.)

[1817; 1836; 1841; 1859; 1878; 1882; 1885.]

RULE 36. No matter which has been duly placed in the Orders of the Day shall be discharged therefrom or considered out of its regular course. (60.) [1885.]

RULES OF DEBATE.

RULE 37. Every member, when he speaks, shall stand in his place and address the President. (72.) [1817; 1831; 1871.]

RULE 38. No member shall speak more than once on the same question, to the prevention of any other who has not spoken and is desirous to speak. (75.) [1817; 1886.]

RULE 39. No member shall interrupt another while speaking, except by rising to call to order. (74.) [1817; 1831.]

RULE 40. After a question is put to vote, no member shall speak to it. [1817.]

MOTIONS.

RULE 41. Any motion shall be reduced to writing, if the President so directs. (76.) [1817; 1844; 1871.]

RULE 42. A question containing two or more propositions,

capable of division, shall be divided whenever desired by any member. A motion to strike out and insert shall be deemed indivisible. But a motion to strike out, being lost, shall neither preclude amendment nor a motion to strike out and insert. (90.) [1817; 1841.]

RULE 43. When a question is under debate, the President shall receive no motion that does not relate to the same, but to adjourn or some other motion which has precedence by express rule of the Senate, or because it is privileged in its nature; and he shall receive no motion relating to the same except: —

To lay on the table;

To close debate at a specified time;

To postpone to a day certain;

To commit (or recommit);

To amend;

To refer to the next General Court; or

To postpone indefinitely;

Which several motions shall have precedence in the order in which they stand. (79.)

[Between 1821 and 1826; 1831; 1844; 1870; 1882; 1885.]

RULE 44. Debate may be closed at any time not less than one hour from the adoption of a motion to that effect. On this motion not more than ten minutes shall be allowed for debate, and no member shall speak more than three minutes. (84.)

[1882.]

RULE 45. When a motion is made to commit a subject, and different committees are proposed, the question shall be taken in the following order: A standing committee of the Senate, a select committee of the Senate, a joint standing committee, a joint select committee. (87.) [1884.]

RULE 46. No engrossed bill or resolve shall be amended. (52.) [1837.]

RULE 47. No motion or proposition of a subject different from that under consideration shall be admitted under color of an amendment. (89.) [1882.]

RULE 48. In filling blanks the largest sum and longest time shall be put first. (91.) [1882.]

RULE 49. The motions to adjourn, and for the yeas and nays, shall be decided without debate. On the motions to lay on the table and take from the table, to commit or recommit

(except with instructions), not exceeding ten minutes shall be allowed for debate, and no member shall speak more than three minutes. (68, 78.) [1817; 1859; 1870; 1874; 1882; 1885.]

RECONSIDERATION.

RULE 50. When a vote has passed, except on motion to adjourn, for the yeas and nays, to lay on the table or to take from the table, it shall be in order for any member to move a reconsideration thereof on the same or the succeeding day; and such motion, if made on the same day, shall be placed first in the Orders of the Day for the day succeeding that on which it is made; but, if first moved on such succeeding day, it shall be forthwith considered; and when a motion for reconsideration is decided, that vote shall not be reconsidered: *provided, however*, that a motion to reconsider a vote upon any incidental or subsidiary question shall not remove the main subject under consideration from before the Senate, but shall be considered at the time when it is made. (69, 70.)

[1817; between 1821 and 1826; 1858; 1885.]

Rejected Measures.

RULE 51. When any measure has been finally rejected, no measure substantially the same shall be introduced by any committee or member during the session. (48.)

[1817 — dispensed with in 1831, and revived in 1838 — amended in 1841; 1844; 1877; 1882.]

VOTING.

RULE 52. The President shall declare all votes; but if a member rises to doubt a vote, the President shall order a return of the number voting in the affirmative, and in the negative, without further debate. (3, 65.) [1831.]

RULE 53. When any member moves that a question be taken by yeas and nays, the President shall take the sense of the Senate in that manner, provided one-fifth of the members present so direct. [1817; 1852.]

RULE 54. Whenever a question is taken by yeas and nays,

the clerk shall call the names of all the members, except the President, in alphabetical order, and every member present shall answer to his name, unless excused before the vote is taken; and no member shall be permitted to vote after the decision is announced from the chair. (67.) [1837; 1844]

ELECTIONS BY BALLOT.

RULE 55. In all elections by ballot, a time shall be assigned for such election, at least one day previous thereto. (95.) [1831.]

SENATE LIBRARY.

RULE 56. The books belonging to the Senate Chamber shall be in care of the clerk, who shall keep an accurate list thereof; and no book shall be taken from the Senate Chamber by any person, without giving notice thereof to the clerk, who shall enter, in a book to be kept by him, the name of the book and the name of the person taking the same. [1837.]

REPORTERS.

RULE 57. Seats for reporters shall be numbered, and assigned by lot, under the direction of the Clerk of the Senate. [1847.]

THE SENATE CHAMBER AND ADJOINING ROOMS.

RULE 58. No person not a member of the Senate shall be allowed to sit at the Senate table while the Senate is in session. [1853.]

RULE 59. No person other than members of the legislative and executive departments of the State Government, past members of the Senate and members of the press, shall be at any time admitted to the clerks' room or the room intervening between that and the Senate chamber, or admitted within the bar of the Senate while the Senate is in session, unless introduced by a Senator in person at the time of such admission. (98.) [1870; 1875; 1886.]

PARLIAMENTARY PRACTICE.

RULE 60. The rules of Parliamentary Practice comprised in Cushing's Manual, and the Principles of Parliamentary Law set forth in Cushing's larger work, shall govern the Senate in all cases to which they are applicable, and in which they are not inconsistent with the Standing Rules of the Senate, or the Joint Rules of the two branches. [1847; 1858; 1882.]

ALTERATIONS, SUSPENSION, OR REPEAL OF RULES.

RULE 61. Rules 22 and 81 shall not be suspended if objection is made, and no Rule shall be altered, suspended, or rescinded, except by vote of two-thirds of the members present. [1817; 1841; 1848; 1882.]

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COMMITTEES.

RULE 1. The following joint standing committees shall be appointed at the commencement of the January session, viz. : —

- A committee on Agriculture ;
- A committee on Banks and Banking ;
- A committee on Cities ;
- A committee on Drainage ;
- A committee on Education ;
- A committee on Election Laws ;
- A committee on Harbors and Public Lands ;
- A committee on Hoosac Tunnel and Troy & Greenfield Railroad ;
- A committee on Labor ;
- A committee on Manufactures ;
- A committee on Mercantile Affairs ;
- A committee on Military Affairs ;
- A committee on Prisons ;
- A committee on Public Charitable Institutions ;
- A committee on Public Health ;
- A committee on Roads and Bridges ;

A committee on Street Railways ;

A committee on Taxation ;

A committee on Towns ;

A committee on Water Supply ;

Each to consist of three members on the part of the Senate,
and eight on the part of the House.

A committee on Claims ;

A committee on Federal Relations ;

A committee on Fisheries and Game ;

A committee on Insurance ;

A committee on the Library ;

A committee on the Liquor Law ;

A committee on Parishes and Religious Societies ;

A committee on Printing ;

A committee on Public Service ;

A committee on State House ;

A committee on Woman Suffrage ;

Each to consist of two members on the part of the Senate, and
seven on the part of the House.

A committee on Railroads, to consist of four on the part of
the Senate, and eleven on the part of the House.

A committee on Expenditures, to consist of the committee on
the Treasury of the Senate, and the committee on Finance of
the House.

The committee of the two branches, on the Judiciary, on
Probate and Insolvency, and on Rules, may sit respectively as
joint committees for the consideration of such matters as may
be referred to them. [Amended Jan. 6, 1882 ; Jan. 5, 1883 ;
Jan. 7, 1884 ; Jan. 8, 1885 ; Jan. 26, 1885, and Jan. 8, 1886.]

RULE 2. No member of either branch shall act as counsel
for any party before any committee of the legislature.

RULE 3. Joint committees may report by bill, resolve, or
otherwise, to either branch, at their discretion, having reference
to an equal distribution of business between the two branches,
except that money bills shall be reported to the House ; and,
except that when a report is made from any committee to either
branch, and the subject-matter thereof is subsequently referred
therein to a joint committee, such committee shall report its
action to the branch in which the original report was made.
[See also next rule.]

RULE 4. Reports of joint committees may be recommitted

to the same committees at the pleasure of the branch first acting thereon, and bills or resolves may be recommitted in either branch. A concurrent vote shall, however, be necessary for the recommitment of such reports, bills, or resolves, with instructions. After recommitment, report shall, in all cases, be made to the branch originating the recommitment.

RULE 5. Bills and resolves reported by joint committees shall be fairly written in a legible hand, without material erasure or interlineation, on not less than one sheet of paper, with suitable margins, and spaces between the several sections, dates and numbers being written in words at length.

RULE 6. Whenever, upon any application for an act of incorporation or other special legislation, the purpose for which such legislation is sought can be secured without detriment to the public interests by a general law or under existing laws, the committee to which the matter is referred shall report such general law, or "leave to withdraw," or "inexpedient to legislate."

Notice to Parties Interested.

RULE 7. No bill or resolve affecting the rights of individuals, or of private or municipal corporations, otherwise than as it affects generally the people of the whole Commonwealth, shall be reported by a committee, unless it is made to appear to the satisfaction of the committee that notice has been given, by public advertisement or otherwise, to all parties interested, without expense to the Commonwealth; or unless evidence satisfactory to the committee is produced that the parties interested have in writing waived notice.

Printing and Distribution of Documents.

RULE 8. The committee on Printing may make regulations for the distribution of all documents printed or assigned for the use of the legislature not otherwise disposed of, such regulations to be reported to and subject to the order of the two branches.

Under the general order to print a report, bill or other document, the number printed shall be nine hundred.

Leave to report in print shall not be construed to authorize the printing of extended reports of evidence.

Bills, reports, and other documents, printed under the general

order of either branch, shall be distributed as follows: to wit, Two copies to each member of the Senate and House of Representatives (to be placed on his file under the direction of the Sergeant-at-Arms, if desired by the member); three copies to each Clerk in either branch, and three copies to each reporter in regular attendance, to whom a seat has been assigned in either branch; twenty copies to the Executive; twenty copies to the Secretary's Office; six copies to the State Library; and, when the document is the report of a committee, ten copies shall be assigned to the committee making the report. The Sergeant-at-Arms shall preserve as many as may be necessary for the permanent files to be placed in the lobbies, and distribute the remainder under such regulations as may be prescribed by said joint committee. [Amended Jan. 8, 1886.]

Limit of Time Allowed for Reports of Committees.

RULE 9. Joint committees shall make final report upon all matters previously referred to them, on or before the second Wednesday in March, unless further time is granted for cause.

Committees of Conference.

RULE 10. Committees of Conference shall consist of three members on the part of each branch, representing its vote; and their report, if agreed to by a majority of each committee, shall be made to the branch asking the conference, and may be either accepted or rejected, but no other action shall be had, except through a new committee of Conference.

INTRODUCTION OF BUSINESS.

RULE 11. No bill or resolve affecting directly the legal rights of individuals or corporations, otherwise than as it affects generally the interests of the people of the whole Commonwealth, or of the cities or towns to which it specifically applies, shall be proposed or introduced, by amendment or otherwise, except by report of a committee, upon petition duly presented and referred, or as a substitute for such report. Objection to the violation of this rule may be taken at any stage prior to that of the third reading.

Limit of Time Allowed for New Business.

RULE 12. Petitions, memorials, applications, and all other subjects of legislation, except reports required to be made to the legislature, proposed or introduced after the first Wednesday of February, shall be referred to the next General Court. This rule shall not be rescinded, amended, or suspended, except by a concurrent vote of four-fifths of the members of each branch present and voting thereon.

Duties of the Clerks.

RULE 13. If any part of the report of a committee over the signature of the chairman or members of the committee is amended in either branch, the Clerk of that branch shall indorse upon the report such amendment.

RULE 14. All papers, while on their passage between the two branches, may be under the signature of the respective Clerks, except bills and resolves in their last stage. Messages may be sent by such persons as each branch may direct.

RULE 15. After bills have passed both branches to be engrossed, they shall be in the charge of the Clerks of the two branches, who shall deliver the same to the Secretary of the Commonwealth, to be engrossed in the manner prescribed by law; and, when engrossed, the said Clerks shall forthwith deliver the same to the committee of the House of Representatives on Engrossed Bills; and when the same have passed to be enacted in that House, they shall, in like manner, be delivered to the committee of the Senate on Engrossed Bills.

RULE 16. If any petition, memorial, bill, resolve, or order, presented or originating in one branch, is adversely acted upon in the other, notice thereof shall be given, under the signature of the Clerk, to the branch in which the same originated.

RULE 17. The Clerk of the branch in which a bill originated shall make an indorsement thereon, certifying in which branch the same originated, which indorsement shall be entered on the journals by the Clerks respectively.

After said bills have passed both branches to be enacted, the Clerk of the Senate shall lay them before the Governor for his approbation, and shall enter upon the journal of the Senate the day on which the same were laid before the Governor.

RULE 18. All resolves and other papers which are to be presented to the Governor for his approbation, shall be laid before him in the same manner as is prescribed in the case of bills.

Constitutional Amendments.

RULE 19. All resolves proposing amendments of the Constitution shall have three several readings in each branch, and the final question upon agreeing to the same shall be taken by yeas and nays.

JOINT CONVENTIONS.

RULE 20. The President of the Senate shall preside in Conventions of the two branches, and such Conventions shall be holden in the Representatives' Chamber; the Clerk of the Senate shall be Clerk of the Convention, and a record of the proceedings of the Convention shall be entered at large on the journals of both branches.

RULE 21. When an agreement has been made by the two branches to go into Convention, such agreement shall not be altered or annulled, except by concurrent vote.

RULE 22. No business shall be entered on, in Convention, other than that which may be agreed on before the Convention is formed.

Joint Elections.

RULE 23. In all elections by joint ballot a time shall be assigned therefor at least one day previous to such election.

Elections of United States Senators.

RULE 24. The joint assembly required to be held by the statutes of the United States, relating to the elections for Senators in Congress, shall be deemed a Convention of the two branches, and the proceedings therein shall be in accordance with the provisions of said statutes. The President of the Convention shall receive no motion on any day until one vote for Senator has been taken. After one vote for Senator has been taken, no motion shall be in order except a motion to adjourn, for a recess, or to proceed to vote for Senator; and these motions shall have precedence in the order of their arrangement, and shall be decided without debate. If a motion is made for a

recess, and different times are proposed, the question shall first be taken on the most remote time; and the time shall be determined, but without debate, before the question is put upon taking the recess. On either of the questions permitted by this rule, the sense of the Convention shall be taken by yeas and nays, whenever required by one-fifth of the members present. When the yeas and nays are taken, the roll of the Convention shall be called in alphabetical order; and no member shall be allowed to vote who was not on the floor when his name was called, or before the roll-call was finished. The call for the yeas and nays shall be decided without debate.

RULE 25. Any joint rule, except the twelfth, may be altered, suspended, or rescinded, two-thirds of the members present in each branch consenting thereto.

[No. 4.]

THE OATH OF OFFICE.

[See page 4.]

I, (repeating your name) , do solemnly swear that I will bear true faith and allegiance to the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, and will support the Constitution thereof. *So help me, God.*

I, , do solemnly swear and affirm that I will faithfully and impartially discharge and perform all the duties incumbent upon me as a senator, according to the best of my abilities and understanding, agreeably to the rules and regulations of the Constitution and laws of this Commonwealth. *So help me, God.*

I, , do solemnly swear that I will support the Constitution of the United States. *So help me, God.*

AFFIRMATION.

I, (repeating your name) , do solemnly affirm that I will bear true faith and allegiance to the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, and will support the Constitution thereof. *This I do under the pains and penalties of perjury.*

I, , do solemnly affirm that I will faithfully and impartially discharge and perform all the duties incumbent on me as a senator, according to the best of my abilities and understanding, agreeably to the rules and regulations of the Constitution and laws of this Commonwealth. *This I do under the pains and penalties of perjury.*

I, , do solemnly affirm that I will support the Constitution of the United States. *This I do under the pains and penalties of perjury.*

[APPENDIX A.]

RULINGS ON QUESTIONS OF ORDER.

COMMITTEE CAN REPORT A LARGER SUM THAN THAT NAMED IN THE MATTER REFERRED TO IT. — (*Journal*, pp. 198–202.)

Under reference of a resolve, on leave, appropriating \$5,000 for a special purpose, it is competent for the committee to report a resolve appropriating a larger sum (in this case \$6,500) for the same purpose. The amount of the appropriation is but an incident of the subject referred, and it is clearly within the powers of the committee to recommend, and by way of recommendation to report, the increased amount. (Cushing, sect. 1906.)

SPECIAL LEGISLATION — ENFORCEMENT OF SENATE RULE 17
AND JOINT RULE 6 — RE-ENACTMENT OF EXISTING LAW.
— (*Journal*, p. 229.)

The point is raised that this bill is in violation of Senate Rule 17 and Joint Rule 6, for the reason that the object of it can be secured under existing laws. It was intimated here last year, though not directly ruled, that if the committee in such case reports a bill, the Chair must ordinarily presume that they have obeyed the rule and have found that the object of the bill cannot be secured under existing laws. (Senate Journal, 1886, p. 588.) The added remark, that under the rule it is the judgment of the committee and not of the Chair which must determine the question, ought, perhaps, to be qualified by saying that this is true in many, though perhaps not in all cases; since in many cases the evidence on which the question must be determined is before the committee, while it is not and cannot be before the Chair officially. But if, as may happen, it appears

on the face of the bill and accompanying papers that the object can or cannot be secured under existing laws, it may be the duty of the Chair to exclude the bill. Ordinarily the Chair, while bound to know the parliamentary law, is not bound to know or to apply any knowledge of the law of the land; but when a question of order depends upon a construction of the law of the land the Chair is doubtless bound to construe and to rule upon it. In this case, while I incline to think the object of the bill can be secured under existing laws, it does not appear conclusively upon the face of the bill and papers. For this reason the point of order must be overruled.

AMENDMENT (SUBSTITUTION OF A BILL) — WHETHER GERMANE. —
(*Journal*, p. 401.)

The point is taken that the bill printed as Senate document No. 170 is inadmissible as a substitute for the report (inexpedient) on an order directed to "repealing sect. 14 of chap. 48 of the Public Statutes, relative to the Establishment of County Truant Schools and Union County Truant Schools." The first section of the bill is in effect a repeal of sect. 14, as to the county of Essex. As a partial repeal is necessarily included within a total repeal, the first section is within the scope of the order. But the second section of the proposed bill does not appear to me to be admissible. Conceding that the prohibition of our rule is only against the introduction of a new or different subject, and that the subject of the order is the Union County Truant School system, and that the repeal proposed by the order is only the proposed form of treatment and not the subject itself, from which it follows that the Union County Truant School system may be modified in various ways under this order, yet the second section of the proposed bill is directed to establish in Essex County, in the place of the Union County system abolished by section one, a system of Union Truant Schools by and at the expense of any two or more cities or towns in that county, having no connection with or dependence upon the county; that is, a system of Union Town Truant Schools, entirely novel and foreign to the law which the order proposes to repeal and to any existing law. It appears to me that this introduces a new and different subject, and that to admit such a proposition under this order would stretch liberality of construction too far.

As the Chair cannot separate the objectionable part of the bill from the rest, the point of order must be sustained and the bill excluded.

RECOMMITMENT OF A REPORT WITH INSTRUCTIONS TO REPORT
A BILL TO THE HOUSE — WHETHER AN ATTEMPT TO ORIGINATE A MONEY BILL. — (*Journal*, p. 446.)

A bill, moved as a substitute for the report (reference to the next general court) of the committee on taxation, on an order directed to legislation imposing a tax upon all estates of persons deceased, having been ruled out as a "money bill," it is moved to recommit the report to the same committee with instructions "to report a bill to the other branch," and the 4th Joint Rule has been suspended, as it must be, for the consideration of the motion. The point of order is now raised against the motion, that it is open to the same objection as the bill, as an attempt to originate a "money bill" in the Senate. The instructions moved are to report a "a bill" merely, and it may be possible that some bill other than a money bill can be reported under the order; if so, the motion is not open to the objections suggested. Whether this be so or not, while it may be that the motion is an attempt to do by indirection that which the Senate cannot do directly, it is not clearly so; and as it is a case of doubt and as all doubts ought to be resolved, so far as may be, in favor of the powers of the Senate, the point of order will be overruled.

COMMITTEE OF CONFERENCE — WHETHER THE RECOMMITMENT OF
A REPORT WITH INSTRUCTIONS IS A PROPER SUBJECT FOR A
COMMITTEE OF CONFERENCE. — (*Journal*, p. 473.)

The Senate having recommitted a report of the committee on taxation (reference to next general court), with instructions to consider the subject farther and report to the other branch, and the House having non-concurred in the recommitment and returned the report so endorsed, it is moved that the Senate insist and ask a committee of conference; and the point is raised that this is not a proper subject of conference and that the motion is out of order. The commonest subject of conference is a disagreement of the two branches on amendments to a bill; in which case a conference proceeds on the ground that as there is some-

thing on which the two branches are substantially agreed, it ought not to be lost in consequence of a disagreement as to some part. But the right of conference is not restricted to such cases. (Cushing, sect. 821.) In the House of Representatives of the United States, whose practice is one of the sources of the common parliamentary law of this country, the right of conference seems now to be recognized as extending to all cases of difference between the two branches. (Manual U. S. House of Reps., 1884, pp. 135, 272, 273.) Upon these authorities the point of order is overruled.

PETITION — SCOPE OF. — (*Journal*, pp. 521, 524.)

The prayer of the petition, literally, is "for an act of incorporation to revive said Konkapot Valley Railroad Company," the charter of which, granted in 1871, has lapsed. Taken exactly as it reads, the prayer is inaccurately expressed; since an act of incorporation will not "revive" the lapsed charter, and an act to revive that charter is not in itself an act of incorporation. I think the petition should be read as though the prayer were alternative, for an act of incorporation, of the persons named for the purposes set out in the stating part of the petition, or for an act to revive the lapsed charter. Extreme accuracy of expression is not to be looked for and need not be required in petitions to the legislature, which ought to be construed liberally, upon the principles applied by the courts to town warrants, etc., which, as a rule, must be supposed to be prepared without the aid of legal training.

The pending bill is an act of incorporation in exact conformity to the prayer of the petition so construed, and the point of order that it is not within the scope of the petition must be overruled.

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